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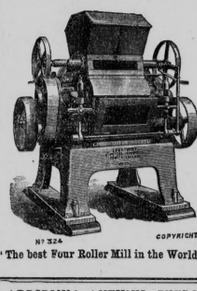
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By Order,
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31st August, 1894.

STOW UNION.
CONTRACTS FOR SUPPLIES.
THE Guardians of the Stow Union will, on THURSDAY, September 6th, be prepared to receive tenders for six months for supplying good Thirds Flour, at per stone, to their district; and for the supply of good Wether Mutton, Beef, Suet, Bread, Seconds Flour, Grocery, Milk, Home Coals, Port Wine by the dozen, Brandy and Gin by the gallon, Linen, Woollen, and Drapery Goods, Boots and Shoes, to be delivered at the Workhouse; and Coffins to be delivered at the Workhouse and in the different districts. Also for Port Wine by the bottle and half-bottle, Brandy and Gin by the imperial pint and half-pint, to be supplied in the several districts.
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All Tenders must be made in the prescribed form, which may be obtained of me, or at the Workhouse.
The Accounts for the current quarter must be sent in ca or before Monday, October 1st.
By Order of the Board,
R. E. WILKES,
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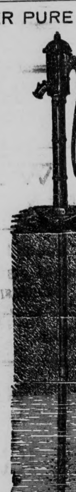

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ADMIRED AT THE STOCKTON RACES.

signs of being again fashionable this winter. At the above mentioned race-meeting, a delightful blonde, of the Wynyard Park *coterie,* made quite a hit in a large black *velours* shape, bent slightly down, both back and front, the sole ornamentation being a series of snow-white wings, manipulated so as to form a kind of fan-like arrangement. It was undeniably *chic.* Boots, laced up some inches beyond the ankle, with the lower portion in patent leather and the upper part in fawn kid, were worn by many of the *élite.*

Now's the time for looking over one's *lingerie* and general wardrobe. Being no longer in the giddy whirl of the season, we have leisure to reflect; and especially on rainy days, when the sea looks in a sorry mood, and even the charms of the continent seem temporally to have vanished. The dozens or half-dozens of under-clothes we possess should always be well kept up. That is to say, when one or more garments are past redemption (what looks more poverty-stricken than patched *lingerie?*) we should immediately have others made in their stead. The newest shape in chemises is batiste with a deep Valencienne berthe and mauve ribbon shoulder-straps tied in a dainty bow. The "sheath" skirts of two seasons ago already look antedeluvian. But what is to be

AN EVENING BLOUSE FOR ORDINARY WEAR.

done with the two-year-old silk jupes, perh only slightly soiled? Our second sketch shows how one of these "white-elephants" can be utilized. A lemon-coloured bengaline skirt has been picked to pieces to form the lining of a very useful square-cut evening blouse. This foundation is veiled with citron chiffon, embroidered with black silk spots, the pointed band, collar and cuffs being composed of black jet. We are glad to note that these bodices, veiling the bosom and shoulders of the wearer, are once again *de mode.* They are a blessing to thin girls, and form so delightful a compromise between the out and out décolleté and the regulation high corsage.

The young Princesses of the Wales' household are going in for double-breasted coats during the coming cold season. Indeed, the best people will not be seen in the caped jackets so generally affected last winter. With the exception of short, crisp "trumpet" capes, in one with the Medici collar, revers will be more *distingué.* Hoods lined with some vividly coloured material are seen on the new tweed golf capes, and also on some jackets, but mostly on those of Parisian make.

In England our demoiselles are now simply mad on golf, and, although bicycling has not yet reached that popularity it has already attained among Frenchwomen, a good many of our English maidens are experts on the iron steed. For their benefit we give the model of a dainty costume, planned on the useful zouave

A DISTINGUE BICYCLING COSTUME.

principle. This dress, with its full Turkish trousers and tight-fitting coat, fastened on the cross with pearl buttons, is made up of dark brown hop-sack. In conjunction with this bicycling suit our sportswoman favours a plain white linen collar, chestnut felt hat, and fawn doe-skin gaiters over neat patent leather shoes. These loose zouave trousers have a decided advantage over the short knickerbockers fastened above the knee, arrayed in which the fair bicyclist enjoys not half so much freedom of movement. Every girl not blessed with a horse should go in for a two or three-wheeled machine.

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A TRAGIC MYSTERY.

FROM THE DIARY OF INSPECTOR BYRNES.

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CHAPTER II.

MURDER.

THAT alarm is seldom long without a response; yet here in the heart of New York, the frenzied woman's voice shrieked it out again and again, apparently in vain; it seemed as if the hideous night had swallowed up all life, and made a tomb of the mighty city. But at length a couple of Frenchmen who boarded with the Haniers and slept in a little shanty close at hand were aroused by the summons and entered the house. Not without misgivings, they felt their way up-stairs. By this time the boy had lighted a small lamp, and the light flickered upon the bloody business that had just been done. The two men paused in the doorway aghast. Blood was everywhere: it drenched the dead man's chest; it reddened the arms and bosom of the widowed woman; it had even stained the night-dresses of the trembling and crying children, who had been awakened by the uproar; and their feet had trod in the pool of it that glistened on the floor. The men stood fascinated until, in compliance with Mrs. Hanier's appeals, one of them departed to summon the police. A few minutes later the noise of an officer's club rapping a signal on the pavement outside was heard, and presently three patrolmen, in waterproof cloaks and helmets, tramped up into the room.

It was at once evident that no physician could help Louis Hanier. He had been shot through the heart, and was dead, past all remedy. The officers questioned Mrs. Hanier, and she told her story, interspersed with sobs and gestures. The boy's deposition was less confused, but was like the other in suggesting no clue to the perpetrators of the crime. After gathering all the information they could, one of the officers went out to carry the news to the nearest station-house, while the others sent the mother and children into the back room, and sat down beside the body to await the arrival of the roundsman.

One of the officers had been on duty in this precinct, and knew something about the dead man and his family; the other had only lately been assigned to the post; and he was inclined to take a somewhat unfavourable view of Mrs. Hanier's connection with the affair. Her confused statements and dreadful appearance, and the inherent improbability of several points in her story, seemed to him to point to a knowledge of the circumstances of the crime more intimate than she had acknowledged. She was a Frenchwoman; French women sometimes have lovers. Suppose that Mrs. Hanier's lover had got into the house, and that Hanier had surprised the two together. This was sufficient to explain the tragedy. Moreover, Mrs. Hanier's assertion that her husband had been shot on the staircase in the dark did not seem likely to be true. Except in trained hands, a pistol bullet is apt to go wide of its mark, in the most favourable circumstances; and that it should find its way straight to the victim's heart in a situation where neither party could see the other was certainly improbable. Again, if Hanier had been shot and mortally wounded while half-way down the staircase, how happened it that his dead body was found lying beside his bed twenty feet away? Would he not have fallen down the stairs and lain at the bottom of them? These were features of the case that demanded careful consideration, to say the least of them.

The older officer, however, relying upon his personal acquaintance with the Haniers, scouted the theory of a lover, and declared his belief that the woman would prove to be entirely innocent. Her story might sound queer, and even be open to correction in some respects: a person's impressions of an affair that takes place in the pitch dark, and immediately upon being awakened from sleep, are not generally marked by perspicuity: but that what they had been told was true in substance and intention, he saw no good reason to doubt. The upshot of the argument (as of most arguments in this opinionated world), was that each disputant adhered to his own view: and they were still debating the matter when the arrival of the roundsman recalled them from speculation to reality.

The latter officer's voice came to them from the foot of the stairs. "Come down here, one of you," he said. "The place has been broken into and ransacked."

The statement was no exaggeration. The appearance of the shop, which, though unpretending in its appointments, had always been kept neat and orderly, was now topsy-turvy in the extreme. The gas, turned fully on, revealed chairs upset, bottles smashed and emptied, pictures torn down from the walls, the plaster figure above the money-drawer broken, and the drawer itself rifled and left half open. The whole interior had been wantonly wrecked. One of the policemen who had set his foot in a pool of dark liquid that had collected in a depression of the floor near the wall started back with an exclamation. Was it blood that he had trodden in? The scene upstairs had prompted the idea: but this was not blood; it was the contents of a beer-cask from which the bung had been extracted. There were signs of deliberate malice everywhere. The very spirit of mischief seemed to have invaded the place, and ravaged it for the mere delight of destruction. The officers gazed about them in mingled perplexity and astonishment.

"Let us see how they got in here, in the first place," the roundsman suggested.

Upon this point there was no room for dispute. The street door had been forcibly burst open. A stout lock and bolt had secured it: but the timber to which they were fastened was old and rotten, and the pressure applied from without had been sufficient to tear out the iron sockets into which the bolts were shot. There they hung with the loose screws protruding. The key was still in the keyhole. All signs indicated that brute force rather than professional skill had been at work. The roundsman scrutinised the fastenings closely. There was not a mark of a burglar's tool upon them: but a fresh scratch upon the surface of the metal socket showed where the edge of the bolt had rasped against it as it was driven inwards.

Beyond question, this was not the handiwork of professional thieves. Such men attend strictly to business: they do not waste time in smashing glass and emptying beer-casks; nor do they burst in doors which they can as quickly and more noiselessly open with instruments made for that purpose. Burglars do not conduct their operations with a view to satisfying their private and personal animosities, but in order to get money. The murderers of Louis Hanier had emptied his till, it was true; but it was difficult to imagine that they had broken into his premises with no further object than that. For that matter, the murder itself appeared, so far as the present evidence went, wholly gratuitous. The thieves had not been cornered; the way of escape was open to them. It almost seemed as if they had created a disturbance for the express purpose of arousing Hanier and bringing him within range of their revolvers.

Having concluded his preliminary examination, the roundsman returned to his station to make his report, leaving a patrolman on guard at the wine-shop, with orders to let nothing be disturbed, as the case was manifestly one for the Detective Bureau. The small hours of the morning dragged along, and the storm gradually ceased. Morning broke cold and grey. The news of the murder had spread about the neighbourhood and had reached the offices of the metropolitan newspapers. Reporters began to arrive early, and on presenting their cards were allowed by the policeman to enter. They went up-stairs and looked at the dead body, lying rigid and ghastly on the bloodstained bed; they examined the wreck of the wine-shop, took a glance at the back-yard, made a note of the position of the staircase, scribbled some memoranda in their books, and, after interviewing the sentry and one or two of the spectators in the street, departed to write up the tragedy. A crowd of curious people remained in front of the house, staring up at its dingy front as if they expected to read some explanation of the mystery on its weather-stained timbers. The inhabitants of the street felt their self-importance in some way augmented by the fact that a dreadful murder had occurred in their very midst; though they regretted, of course, that so respectable a man as Hanier should have been the victim.

At the Central Police Office in Mulberry-street, the report of the crime had been under discussion since long before most people's breakfast time; and about nine o'clock a plainly-dressed man descended the front steps, slipped past a group of loungers on the pavement, and walked rapidly in the direction of Bleecker-street. One of the loungers glanced after him and then turned to his companions with a knowing wink. "There goes a fellow after a clue!" said he.

The subject of this remark proceeded on his way uptown. He was a trifle above the medium height, with slightly rounded shoulders; but his frame was well-built and vigorous. At a first glance he might have been pronounced a young man; but a closer examination of his countenance would put this point in doubt. He might be anywhere between twenty-five and fifty; for although the lines upon his smooth-shaven face might have been due to the passage of years, they could as easily have been imprinted there by trying experiences. You would have judged him to belong to that type of men who attain betimes a sort of dry, bloodless maturity, and thenceforth, for the remainder of their lives, undergo no marked alteration. He had the eyes of a ferret in the meagre visage of a dyspeptic. His attire was not in any respect noticeable; and indeed he was a person who was much more likely to escape attention than to attract it. His one describable peculiarity was his walk—a queer, shambling gait, something between a swagger and a slide.

The Shambling Man (as he may, for convenience, be called) took a Sixth-avenue tramway-car, and travelled on it as far as Twenty-sixth-street. There he alighted, and in a few minutes had reached the scene of the murder. Here he paused, with the air of one who perceives that he has chanced upon something of interest, but does not know what it is. He looked up at the house, remarked the stalwart policeman on guard in the door-way, glanced at the broken lock, and finally turned his attention to the various groups that were standing about. The faces of these people expressed vacant curiosity, and nothing more. There was one woman, however, apparently of a better class than the others—though the long grey ulster that she wore concealed the details of her attire—whose behaviour was less colourless. She had come rapidly up the street, attended by a tall, broad-shouldered man in a heavy dark overcoat, and with a visored sealskin cap pulled low down on his forehead.

On arriving in front of the wine-shop, she stopped, as also did her escort, and looked across at the house with a remarkable earnestness of attention. She wore round her neck a sort of muffler, which concealed the lower part of her face, and the hat she wore overshadowed her brow; so that all there was visible of her countenance were a delicately-moulded nose, and a pair of very expressive blue eyes. These eyes—or so the Shambling Man fancied—became suffused with tears as she gazed; and after a few moments she turned to the man, and seemed to make some appeal to him; at which he shook his head in a decided manner. He appeared uneasy and anxious to get away; and once or twice he addressed some words to her that were apparently an exhortation to proceed. But she restrained him and even made as if she would cross the street and enter the house; whereupon he took her arm beneath his with a commanding air—he was a rather elderly man, with a thick iron-grey beard and heavy black eyebrows—and almost forcibly compelled her to return with him up the street towards Sixth-avenue, from which direction they had come. The Shambling Man was half disposed to follow them; and he might possibly have been saved some trouble had he done so; but he reflected that his instructions directed him to investigate the circumstances of the murder; and the chances of these two persons, or either of them, having any connection with it were too remote to justify him in postponing his mission on their account. Somewhat reluctantly, therefore, he turned away from them and directed his attention to a group of Frenchmen who were gossiping vivaciously together near the door of the house.

The Shambling Man had the advantage of being familiar with the French language—a fact which had been considered in selecting him for his present duty. He joined the group, therefore, and gave ear to their conversation, which concerned the tragic death of their countryman. One had been acquainted with Hanier in Paris, where he had been a manufacturer of liquors and a man of substance and prosperity. But misfortunes had come upon him, and he had emigrated. Another spoke of him as a fellow-member with himself of a certain social organisation; and he foretold much lament when this sad news should be communicated to the society. The others had their say; and all alike found something cordial and creditable to tell of their murdered friend. Presently they were joined by the two men who had been the first to respond to Mrs. Hanier's summons the night before; and they were immediately besieged with questions. It appears that they had been among the last persons to see Hanier alive, having spent the previous evening in his shop, and left only a little while before he closed.

All at once, one of the two seemed to be inspired by a new idea, and raised his hand to command attention.

"*Tiens, mon ami!*" he exclaimed to his companion: "I have it now! Do you remember the scamps? Beyond a doubt it was they!"

"But of whom do you speak?"

"Of whom? Of whom but of the villains who entered while we were there, and who made the attempt to steal the money out of the drawer! But Hanier was too quick for them, and they ran away. I see it all now! When they could not rob him in that manner they afterward returned, and accomplished both the robbery and the murder!"

Hereupon, a dozen excited voices struck in, and during several minutes there was a vigorous fusillade of question, answer, and surmise. It looked as if something like a clue had really been hit upon. The Shambling Man was all ears. After canvassing the matter for some time, the two Frenchmen came to the conclusion that it was incumbent upon them to enter the house and communicate their suspicions to Mrs. Hanier. They were halted at the door by the policeman; but on their explaining their position he permitted them to pass; and the Shambling Man glided in after them and followed them up-stairs.

There was no change in the disposition of things in the bedroom, except that someone had thrown a sheet over the body. Mrs. Hanier was seated beside it; the children were shut up in their room. The widowed woman listened to what the two Frenchmen had to say: that those men had entered the shop on the previous evening, and, while two of them attempted to distract her husband's attention the third had tried to lay his hands upon the money-drawer, but had been detected, whereupon all three had incontinently fled. She recollected that her husband had mentioned the incident: but she had not witnessed it herself, and would not, therefore, be able to identify the rogues should they be apprehended. She seemed dazed by the calamity that had befallen her, and even the hope that the murderer might be discovered scarcely availed to stimulate her. In her present mood she was less alive to the chance of inflicting just punishment upon the criminals than overwhelmed by the effect of their crime.

The Frenchmen departed at length, convinced of the importance of their clue, and of their ability to recognise the three thieves when an opportunity should be afforded them. A description of the rogues was taken down by the officer on duty, and telegraphed in all directions; but there were thousands of such men in New York, and the prospect of laying hands upon the right ones was not very bright. Meanwhile the Shambling Man, addressing Mrs. Hanier in her own tongue, proceeded to inform her of the nature of his office and the object of his visit. He explained to her that the circumstances of the murder indicated that it had been committed by someone who bore a grudge against his victim; and that the best means of finding out who this person was would be to go carefully over all the events in Hanier's career, and recall, so far as might be possible, the names of everyone with whom he had been on terms of familiarity. The task of tracing back these various threads might be long and tedious, but it was the only method likely to be successful, and Mrs. Hanier, more probably than anyone else, would be in possession of the requisite information.

Thus urged, the bereaved woman made an effort to arouse herself from her lethargy, and, in reply to her visitor's questions, she related the story of Louis Hanier's life. A couple of hours later, the Shambling Man, with a number of more or less significant facts stored in his memory, returned to the central office in Mulberry-street, and knocked at the inspector's door.

(*To be continued.*)

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NORFOLK AND SUFFOLK M.P.S' PARLIAMENTARY RECORD.

Now that Parliament is prorogued politicians and constituents of every shade begin to enquire as to how their Parliamentary representatives have attended to their duties during the past session, and in how many divisions they have taken part. Commencing on March 12th and ending on Saturday last (August 25th), there were during the five months 246 divisions, of which no fewer than 114—nearly half—were on the fiercely fought Finance Bill, 16 on Supply, 20 on the Evicted Tenants Bill, 15 on the Local Government (Scotland) Bill, and 8 on the proposal for a Standing Scotch Committee. The closure was put in force 14 times. In one division 606 members personally took part, and in another the number reached 550. Two others attracted more than 500, 20 over 450, 26 over 400, and 37 over 350. The following return shows the number of divisions in which the Eastern Counties M.P.'s took part:—Suffolk: Chelsea, Viscount, Bury St. Edmund's, 60; Dalrymple, Sir C., Ipswich, 80; Elcho, Lord, Ipswich, 27; Everett, R. L., Woodbridge (South-Eastern), 193; Forster, H.S., Lowestoft (North) 38; Quilter, W. C., Sudbury (South), 40; Stern, S. J., Stowmarket (North-Western), 168; Stevenson, F. S., Eye (North-Eastern), 111. It will be remembered the Lord Elcho was indisposed during a considerable part of the Session. Essex: Naylor-Leyland, Capt. H. S., Colchester, 130; Rasch, Major F. E. (South-Eastern), 139; Round, J., Harwich (North-Eastern), 134; Usborne, T., Chelmsford, 74; Wigram, A. Money, Romford (South), 103. Norfolk: Arch, J. (North Western), 171; Bowles, T. J., Lynn Regis, 162; Colman, J. J., Norwich, 37; Cozens Hardy, H. H. (Northern), 48; Hare, T. L. (South Western), 106; Higgins, C. (Mid), 110; Hoare, S., Norwich, 103; Morsom, J. M., Great Yarmouth, 125; Price, R. J. (Eastern), 118; Taylor, F. (Southern), 82. Cambridgeshire: Brand, Hon. A. G., Wisbech (North), 193; Fitzgerald, R. U. P., Cambridge, 96; Gorst, Sir J. E., Cambridge University, 65; Hoare, H. E., Chesterton (West), 112; Jebb, Professor, Cambridge University, 84; Newnes, G., Newmarket (East), 43.

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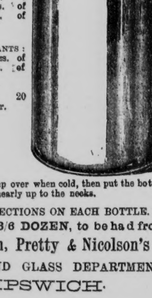

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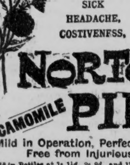

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[BY FACTOTUM.]

The question of the county championship for 1894 has been decided in favour of Surrey, who finished a successful season by a remarkable performance, beating Sussex by an innings and 15 runs. The latter eleven were twice dismissed for the poor total of 153, Richardson and Lockwood bowling in an irresistible manner. It was truly a grand triumph for the Surrey bowling, in which department the county may be said to be the first in the country.

Yorkshire has run a neck-and-neck race with the Southerners for the championship all through the season, and were only beaten on the post, and that, probably, only through being less fortunate than their opponents. Somerset were faring badly at the hands of the Tykes, and would probably have received another defeat had not the rain prevented the match being proceeded with. Nevertheless, one cannot very well grudge Surrey their triumph, as they had succeeded in twice vanquishing the men of Yorkshire, and were, in fact, the only one of the competing counties to achieve this difficult task. It was a grand and interesting struggle all through, and one which will long be remembered amongst followers of the national summer pastime.

Rain disappointed the Ipswich and East Suffolk eleven of their match with the 58th Regiment, but I am glad to say that Gascoyne is not to be deprived of his benefit. The fixture is to take place to-day, when I sincerely hope that the good folk of Ipswich will testify their appreciation of the professional's services by turning up with their modest sixpences. They may be certain of being rewarded by some capital sport, and the proceedings, I understand, are to be enlivened by the band of the regiment, which will in itself be well worthy the modest sum charged for admission to the Portman Road ground.

Bury and West Suffolk and the College Gate Club attempted once more, on Saturday, to settle the question of superiority, and the game ended in a draw somewhat favourable to the premier Club. I am sorry to notice, however, that the standard of the West Suffolk batting, like that of the other division of the county, has not been as high as usual during the present season. The wet weather may have had something to do with this, but that has not altogether accounted for the falling off. There has been a remarkable scarcity of big scores in both instances; this, perhaps, has been more noticeable in East Suffolk. Here the crack batsmen of the premier Club have been found frequently sadly wanting, and the averages will doubtless prove considerably lower all round than last season.

Apart from the century scored by Mr. Richmond against the Colonial College, no three figure contribution has to be recorded by any member of the Ipswich and East Suffolk Club, and with the exception alluded to, the Club's "stonewaller" has done but very little indeed. The Hon. D. Tollemache has likewise frequently failed to "come off," even against second-rate bowling. The same has been more or less the case with almost all the old Ipswich batsmen, but let us hope that another year may produce more favourable experiences to the Club, and that the hope of their defence may have returned to their wonted form.

One club, however, has to be congratulated on their season's work, viz., Stowmarket. Twice have they lowered the colours of Ipswich and East Suffolk, although on both occasions strong elevens were pitted against them. They are fortunate in possessing some capital bowling talent. Mr. J. F. B. Hayward and Brown (the professional) have been doing excellent work, and it would be perfectly safe to say that the former is undoubtedly the best amateur trundler in the county, and quite capable of holding his own even against the local professionals. The batting talent likewise is by no means to be despised, and some very respectable scores have been recorded from several of the club's heroes of the willow.

The Ipswich Commercials are evidently looking up. On Saturday they succeeded in gaining their first victory since they tried their hand at the game. It was the occasion of the return engagement with Waterloo House, at whose hands they had previously received rough treatment. On this occasion, however, the Commercials put together 108 runs, the captain (F. E. Leighton) being top scorer with 32, whilst L. Dowsett and T. Buscall also did well. Their opponents made a game struggle of it, however, only being beaten by eleven runs.

There have been two inter-county cricket matches during the early part of the present week, which have made but small alteration in the appearance of the championship table. Somersetshire and Gloucestershire concluded their fixtures with their match which ended in the Doctor's team being pegged yet another hole to the bad. Sussex were fortunate in escaping a similar fate at the hands of Kent, as two wickets only were required to fall to have given Kent the victory, but "time" came kindly to the rescue.

The championship table, which is now nearly completed, stood on Thursday as under:—

	Plyd.	Won.	Lost.	Drn.	Tie or not Pld.	Pts.
1. Surrey	16	13	2	0	1	11—
2. Yorkshire	15	12	2	1	1	10—
3. Middlesex	16	8	5	3	0	3—
4. Kent	14	6	6	2	1	0—
5. Lancashire	15	7	7	1	1	0—
6. Somersetshire	16	6	7	3	0	— 1
7. Notts	15	4	8	3	0	— 4
8. Sussex	16	3	11	2	0	—8
9. Gloucestershire	16	2	13	1	0	—11

The theme amongst Ipswich cyclists during the past week has been the 20 miles open road race of the I.B.C., which is to take place this afternoon. The eventual winner is quite an open question at present, for at the time of writing nothing was known as to handicaps. If, however, they prove to be as satisfactory as last season, there will be little reason for complaint. Most of the old hands are intending to compete, and the race is sure to be one full of interest. One thing I sincerely hope, and that is that the I.B.C. officials will enforce the prohibition of pacing. This should be done in the interests of cycling itself; it certainly will not do to crowd the road with pacemakers as well as competitors, or the authorities, who are somewhat long-suffering, may kick against the monopoly of the "king's highway," and it must be admitted that they would do so with a considerable amount of justice on their side.

One of the great events of the year, the North Road annual 24 hours road race, is likely to be abandoned this season. The reason is that a considerable portion of the course runs through Huntingdonshire, where, as I have before mentioned, the police are vigilantly suppressing racing on the roads. The difficulty of procuring another course is obvious, but the officials of the North Road Club, I am informed, are not altogether without hope in this matter. I trust their efforts to overcome the difficulty will be successful, as the fixture is one of great interest.

It has been announced in several cycling journals that a postal vote is to be taken from the various unions affiliated to the International Cyclists' Association, as to whether the world's championships are to be open to all cyclists, both amateurs and professionals, or not. Should the vote be favourable, it is thought that it might prove the first step towards putting all racing men on an equal footing. Why should it not? A cyclist is surely none the worse for being connected with "the trade," or competing for cash prizes, instead of some useless articles, which, after all, are frequently turned into hard cash after the event.

At Springfield, Massachusetts, on Monday, Tyler, the bicyclist, covered a mile, with a flying start, in 2 min. 7 2-5th secs., his previous best having been 2 min. 10 1-5th secs. He had at the same time lowered the record for three-quarters of a mile by 3 2-5th secs.

The Yarmouth and Norfolk cyclists are organising an all-night ride up to London on September 8th, when they will be the guests of the Essex Union at High Beech, Epping Forest. This visit is in return to that of the Essex men earlier in the season, which was in some measure marred by bad weather, and which many Ipswich cyclists will remember. Here is an opportunity for some of the latter to join the trippers, who will come through the town, and accompany them to their journey's end.

A cyclist, last week, who was proceeding along Oxford Street, was wilfully run down by a cabman, and on the latter being summoned at the Marylebone Police Court, he was convicted, the evidence looking very black against him, but the Magistrate, after stating "that cyclists were nuisances, and got in everybody's way," thought the justice of the case would be met with a fine of 1s. and 2s. costs. Such shameful abuse of the powers of a Justice of the Peace ought to induce the N.C.U. to take the case up, and appeal to the Home Office.

Huret, the French champion, was recently well beaten in a six-hours race by Linton by about three miles, the Welshman covering about 135 miles in the allotted time.

The following members of the Ipswich Wheelers' Cycling Club competed in a five mile handicap road race, on Monday evening last, the course being in excellent condition:—Messrs. E. Anderson, W. Webb, W. Willett, H. H. Willett, H. Oak, T. I. Jarrott, J. Martin, A. Addison, and H. Durrant. The result was as follows:—1st, T. I. Jarrott, 13min. 40secs.; 2nd, W. E. Willett, 14min. 43secs.; 3rd, H. Oak, 14min. 44secs. Only a second separated third and fourth men. The scratch man Durrant rode splendidly, but was heavily handicapped. This being the first race of the club, great interest was evinced among cyclists, many of the best Ipswich riders being present. Brakes conveyed several friends of the club to witness the finish. F. E. Bagworth (captain), acted as starter, and Messrs. A. Green and W. Woolmer, as judges.

On Thursday, by kind invitation of the President, the club spent a very enjoyable afternoon and evening at Holbrook, when sports were held. The three mile handicap road race resulted as follows:—1st, H. Durrant; 2nd, W. Webb, 3rd, J. Martin. Slow bicycle race (winners in final):—1st, H. Durrant; 2nd, J. Martin. A capital tea on the lawn was provided, and light refreshments during the evening by the President. After a pleasant run the party arrived in Ipswich about 9 o'clock.

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Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

MARRIAGES.

ALLOWAY—JACKSON—28th August, at St. Catherine's Church, Ventnor, Isle of Wight, by the Rev. J. A. Alloway, brother of the bridegroom, assisted by the Rev. A. W. Chennells, LL.D., Walter Richard Alloway, of Ipswich School, to Harriett Lawrence, daughter of the late John Lawrence Jackson, of Knottingley, Yorks, and of Mrs. Webb, Glencoe Lodge, Ventnor, Isle of Wight.

BROWN—HARDING.—18th August, at the Registry Office, Elizabeth Harding, widow of Philip Harding, to James Brown, of Plough Street, all of Ipswich.

BROOM—SMITH.—25th August, at St. Margaret's, Upton, by the Rev. D. T. Barry, assisted by the Rev. Scott Thompson, Herbert George Broom to Christine, daughter of the late Charles Smith, of Halesworth.

CHAMBERS—GRIMWADE.—22nd August, at St. Michael's Church, Ipswich, by the Rev. W. A. Smith (curate), Henry Albert Chambers, of Ipswich, to Laura, eldest daughter of Mr. George Grimwade, of Orford, Suffolk.

DAY—HILLEN.—27th August, at St. Stephen's Church, East Putney, Ernest Eascott Day, fourth son of the late William Day, 72, Shubert Road, East Putney, to Ethel Berrett Hillen, only daughter of the late Henry Berrett Hillen, of Stangrove Hall, Alderton, Woodbridge.

FISHER—CLARKSON.—6th August, at St. Matthew's Church, by the Rev. F. Haslewood, Philip Cardinal, third son of the late Francis Fisher, to Alice Kate, eldest daughter of F. H. Clarkson, all of Ipswich.

HAWKINS—CRAPNELL —29th August, at St Clement's Church, by the Rev. S. Jones, George Robert William, eldest son of the late George Reeve Hawkins, builder and contractor, Monks Eleigh, to Laura Ann, second daughter of James Crapnell, 51, Wykes Bishop Street, Ipswich.

MELLIS—WEBB.—26th August, by license, at West Ham Church, by the Rev. Reginald Morrow, Charles, eldest son of Charles Mellis, builder, Inverness, N.B., to Lucie Anne, youngest daughter of the late Stephen Webb, Sudbury, and granddaughter of the late Isaac Beard, Esq., Coggeshall, Essex.

PESKETT—SMITH.—23rd August, at St. Margaret's Church, Leiston, by Rev. B. W. Raven, George Tobit, eldest son of Mr. George Peskett, Postmaster, Leiston, to Catherine, second daughter of Mr. William Smith, Leiston.

QUINTON—WILDEN.—21st August, at Needham Market Congregational Chapel, Joseph Quinton to Eliza Ann, only daughter of J. C. Wilden, Ringshall.

SCHMID—PARKINGTON.—24th August, at St. Margaret's Church, by the Rev. E. Oakley, rector of St. Helen's, assisted by the Rev. C. B. Nash, curate of St. Margaret's, the Rev. Theophilus Frederic Schmid, to Charlotte, eldest daughter of Mr. T. Parkington, St. Margaret's Works, Ipswich.

WAUGH—EDWARDS —27th August, at Exning Church, by the Rev. Peters, Charles, fifth son of James Waugh, Newmarket, to Louisa Jane (Jennie), younger daughter of the late Alfred Edwards, Ipswich.

DEATHS.

BROWN.—12th August, at Rushmere, Ellen, the dearly loved child of William and Hannah Brown, aged 4 years.

BARNARD —24th July, at Dülmen, Westphalia, Prussia, Charles, third son of the late William Barnard, of Combs, Suffolk, in his 64th year.

CATCHPOLE.—28th August, at Arthur's Terrace Road, Ipswich, Ellen Collins, the dearly loved wife of Alfred Catchpole, in her 62nd year.

DRIVER.—25th August, at Ewarton, after 40 years' affliction, Mary, wife of Mark Driver.

LICENSE.—22nd August, Edward James, and on the 25th August, Samuel John, the infant twins of Eliza and John License, of 77, Purplett Street, Ipswich, late of Leiston.

LOCKWOOD —26th August, at Wangford, Anna Maria Lockwood, the wife of John Lockwood, and daughter of the late Captain William McCowan, of Southwold, aged 67 years. Deeply mourned.

MILLER.—28th August, Caroline Jane, the dearly beloved wife of Herbert Miller, Bridge Street, Framlingham, aged 43 years.

NOTLEY —25th August, at Lowestoft, William Notley, of Mendham, aged 69 years.

PIPE.—15th August, after a long and painful affliction, Hattie, the dearly-beloved wife of Charles Pipe, veterinary surgeon, Lavenham, aged 54 years.

PIPER.—24th August, Stephen Edward Piper, F R.C.S., at Orwell House, Darlington, eldest son of the late Stephen Piper, Ipswich.

ROLFE.—26th August, at Bury St. Edmund's, after about a week's illness, Mrs. Rolfe, formerly of Great Whelnetham, aged 92 years.

THIRTLE.—27th August, at Woking, Helen Marion, eldest daughter of W. H. Thirtle, North Parade, Lowestoft, aged 37 years.

TURNER —23rd August, at the Fever Hospital, Stanley Joseph Turner, the second beloved son of Iris and the late Joseph Turner, of 10, Argyle Street, aged 4 years.

THIMBLETHORPE.—24th August, at Halstead, aged 86, Hannah, the dearly-loved wife of Henry Thimblethorpe, late of Eye, Suffolk.

WHITE.—23rd August, at Tunstall, Suffolk, Frances Elizabeth, the dearly-loved wife of Charles White, Post Office, Tunstall, aged 58 years.

WOOD.—26th August, at Hornsey, London (suddenly), Stephen Wood, formerly of Woodbridge, aged 75 years.

WRIGHT.—24th August, at the Wick, Langham, Matilda Mary Wright, aged 60 years.

WOOD.—26th August, at Hornsey, London, suddenly, Stephen Wood, formerly of Woodbridge, aged 75.

YORKE.—25th August, at Hadleigh, Elizabeth, the beloved wife of Richard Philip Yorke, aged 43 years.

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A SUCCESSFUL ANGLER ON THE GIPPING.—Following his 12lbs. catch of roach on the 24th, Mr. H. Binks had another catch of 12¼lbs. in the Gipping on 25th, and on Monday he was again successful, taking 11½lbs.

SCHOLASTIC SUCCESS OF AN IPSWICH LADY.—Miss Emily L. Moon, daughter of Fleet Engineer R. C. Moon, of H.M.S. Mersey, who is now residing in Ipswich, has successfully passed in the recent examination of senior candidates for Oxford University.

MARRIAGE OF AN IPSWICH LADY AT EXNING.—Mr. Charles Waugh, trainer to Prince Soltykoff, was married at Exning Church, on Monday morning, to Miss Edwards, of Ipswich. In consequence of a recent death in the family, the wedding was of a very quiet character.

HOMING AT IPSWICH.—The Ipswich Society flew a race, open to all Ipswich fanciers, from Ardleigh, 12 miles, on Saturday. Result:—1st, Mr. Mallett, 670 yards per min; 2nd, Mr. Ramsey, 667; 3rd, Mr. Parker, 510; 4th, Mr. Stollery, 507; 5th, Mr. Markham, 485; 6th, Mr. Thompson, 482; 7th, Mr. R. Osborne, 476; 8th, Mr. C. Osborne, 475.

SWIMMING COMPETITIONS AT IPSWICH.—The trial heats in connection with the annual competitions for the prizes awarded to the scholars of the Board Schools for proficiency in swimming will take place on Monday, the 3rd September, at the Stoke Bathing Place, and on Tuesday, the 4th of September, at the West End Bathing Place. The final heat in which the best swimmer of each class from both Bathing Places will take part, will be held on Wednesday, the 5th September, at the Stoke Bathing Place. The time of the competitions is 6.30 each evening. The competitions are open to those scholars who have received instruction in swimming during the current session.

INTERMENTS IN IPSWICH CEMETERY.—Friday: Isabella Fox, 59 years, St. Matthew; Edward C. May, 37 years, St. Michael. Saturday: Gerty M. Whatling, 1 year, St. Helen; George F. Rufford, infant, St. John; Robert Hogg, 9 years, St. John; Stanley J. Turner, 4 years, St. Michael; William S. Bird, infant, St. Peter. Monday: Caroline Silvester, 16 years, All Saints; Charlotte Cobbold, 96 years, St. Mary Stoke; Robert Sayer, 90 years, St. Mary Stoke. Tuesday: E. Lilian Nunn, infant, St. Peter. Wednesday: William H. Todd, 1 year, St. Clement. Thursday: John Hewitt, 74 years, All Saints; Annie L. Newson, 4 years, Holy Trinity; William H. Thompson, infant, St. Helen.

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HANDFORD COTTAGE SOCIAL OUTING.—On Saturday about twenty friends of Mr. Marsh, landlord of the Handford Cottage, proceeded to Chelmondiston Lion and enjoyed a very pleasant drive, being coached by Mr. Goodchild in splendid form. A substantial repast was provided by host and hostess Crane, which, after being amply done justice to, a very enjoyable evening was spent in song and toast, Mr. Marsh, the worthy landlord, being in the chair. He was very ably supported by Mr. Watts and Mr. Burrows, the vice-chair being filled by Mr. F. Smith, who carried out their pleasant duties to the satisfaction and enjoyment of all present, the conviviality being kept up till nine p.m., when a start was made for home, arriving at Ipswich at 10.30 p.m.

IPSWICH WORKING GIRLS AT BAWDSEY.—On Saturday, through the kindness and generosity of Mr. Cuthbert Quilter, M.P., the members of the Working Girls' Club and Institute held their annual outing to Bawdsey Manor, the party numbering 160. The journey was made by the s.s. Merrimac. Bawdsey was reached about one o'clock, and the party met with a very warm reception at the hands of Mr. and Miss Quilter. The girls were invited to a sumptuous repast, and then amusements were indulged in, the girls thoroughly enjoying the visit. Tea followed, after which the choir of the club sang a few glees, and Miss Laws proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Quilter for his great kindness in inviting the members of the club to again visit his delightful residence upon the cliff. Mr. Quilter responded by saying how exceedingly pleased he was to see the party. After cheers had been given for Mr. and Mrs. Quilter and family, and each member of the club had received a bouquet, the party returned to Ipswich.

DEATH OF DR. S. PIPER: HIS CONNECTION WITH IPSWICH.—Many of our readers will learn with regret of the death, at the age of 81, of Dr. Stephen Piper, brother of Mr. J. Dixon Piper, of Ipswich, and himself formerly well-known in Ipswich. Dr. Stephen Piper was the oldest medical practitioner in Darlington. The deceased gentleman took a leading position in Darlington as a medical practitioner, and was well known in the profession throughout the North of England. About 1850 he became medical officer for Darlington, and continued until a few years since, when advancing years induced him to relinquish his office. Dr. Piper, in his early life, accompanied Sir D. Lacy Evan's English contingent to Spain, nearly sixty years ago, in a medical capacity, and for two years was engaged in the stirring scenes of that campaign. After a short residence in London, he made Darlington his home. He married a sister of the Town Clerk of Darlington. His widow and a grown-up family survive him.

AN ALDEBURGH DRESSMAKER SUMMONED.—At Woodbridge Petty Sessions, on Wednesday, Mrs. Rosamond Fitchett, of Aldeburgh, was summoned for a breach of the Factory and Workshops Act, 1878. Mr. Thomas C. Hayward, Assistant Factory Inspector, stated that he visited the defendant's workshop on Saturday, August 4th, at 5.20 p.m., and found Clara Ahearn at work sewing buttons on a bodice. There was no notice or abstract of the Act affixed in the place. In defence, Mrs. Fitchett said she did not understand she was under the Factory Acts, and she had never been warned. She had only one paid hand, and she quite thought that to come under the Factory Acts she must employ at least three hands. The Chairman said the Bench had no option but to convict, but they considered it was a trivial case to bring before them; they therefore only inflicted a fine of 6d., and 17s. 2d. costs.

ANGLING AT BECCLES.—An angling competition was held by the Caxton Club, at Beccles, on Saturday, when special prizes were won by Mr. W. Upcraft for the heaviest catch, Mr. H. Butcher for the best fish, and Mr. T. Rackham for the best half-dozen.

SUDDEN DEATH AT BEDINGFIELD.—Mr. C. W. Chaston (county coroner), on Monday, held an inquest at the Church Farm Cottage, Bedingfield, relative to the death of Mary Ann Hammond, wife of George Hammond, labourer, which occurred on Saturday. The evidence adduced showed that the deceased had enjoyed good health up to Saturday. About half-past six deceased went and called her daughter and returned to bed, but on the daughter's going to her mother's room shortly before eight she found her mother lying in her bed quite dead. Dr. Wright, of Eye, thought death probably was due to heart disease. The jury returned a verdict to that effect.

HARLESTON BOWLERS AT BUNGAY.—A friendly match was played on the White Lion Bowling Green, Bungay, on Monday, between 12 members of the Bungay Club and a team from Harleston under Major Bond. Play was finished at 6.30, when Bungay was found to be the winner with 16 games to Harleston's 12. A most pleasant day was spent.

SALE OF WORK AT BUNGAY.—The annual sale of Work on behalf of the C.E.Z.M.S. was held at the St. Mary's Parish Room on Wednesday. The stalls were presided over by Miss Bellman, Miss Baker, Mrs. Fred. Howard, Mrs. H. Howard, Miss L. Adkin, Miss Sadd, Miss M. Owles, Misses Gibson, Mrs. H. B. Owles, and Miss P. H. L. Owles. The proceeds amounted to £28 10s.

BOWLS AT BUNGAY.—A friendly match was played on the White Lion Bowling Green on Monday between twelve members of the Bungay Club and a team of the like number from Harleston brought by Major Bond. The Bungay players consisted of Capt. Smith, Messrs. L. Macdonnell, J. D. Edgerley, E. Knights, H. Youngman, H. Woolnough, C. Caddon, J. Valiant, A. Laws, J. Bedwell, E. Clay, and W. Howlett. Sergt. Daley acted as marker. Bungay won with 16 games to Harleston's 12. Tea was afterwards served by hostess Till in the Clubhouse.

GADEN PARTY AT DITCHINGHAM.—A garden party was held at Mr. Rider Haggard's, Ditchingham House, on Wednesday. The visitors were entertained at tennis and croquet, followed by an inspection of a jumble stall and dancing on a boarded floor to wind up. During the afternoon about 200 persons were personally conducted through the house, and shown various curios collected by Mr. Haggard from the various counties he has visited. Young's band was in attendance. Over 1,000 persons entered the gates during the day. The proceeds amounted to £50, and were on behalf of the heating apparatus for Ditchingham parish church.

DEATH OF A DISS OCTOGENARIAN.—This week there has passed away a well-known form in the person of Mr. W. H. Barkham, of Diss, at the age of 81. He was until recently a very familiar figure at the markets held at Diss, Eye, and Harleston. He was a native of Diss, and at one time no convivial gathering was complete without his presence.

TENNIS QUADRILLE PARTY AT DISS.—An invitation ball, promoted by Mrs. Barkley, of Palgrave, in connection with the Tennis Club, took place on Tuesday evening at the Corn Hall. Between 70 and 80 ladies and gentlemen attended, and dancing, which commenced at nine p.m., was continued till nearly three on Wednesday.

DEBENHAM FOOTBALL CLUB.—The annual meeting of this organisation was held on Friday evening at the Cherry Tree Hotel. The following gentlemen were elected as officers for the ensuing year:—President, Mr. J. B. Chevallier; vice-president, Dr. D. M. Ffrench; captain, Mr. W. Ruffles; committee, Messrs. H. J. Fox, W. Gardner, E. Mortimer, E. Sparrow, and A. Page; secretary and treasurer, Mr. J. Hunt.

EYE OPEN-AIR SERVICES.—The seventh of the vicar's series of Friday evening open-air services was successfully held near the Reading Room last week.

ZENANA MISSION AT EYE.—A drawing-room meeting in aid of the Church of England Zenana Missionary Society was held on Wednesday afternoon at Mrs. James Pecks's, Linden House, Eye, when an interesting address was given by Mrs. Shirt, a missionary from Hyderbad, Sindh. The Vicar presided.

AN UNLICENSED DOG AT EYE.—William Rumsby, a Palgrave gardener, was summoned before the Hartismere Bench on Monday for having kept a dog without a license. Mr. Pocock, supervisor of Excise, Norwich, appeared to prosecute. Defendant said it was simply a case of negligence. The Bench dismissed the information upon defendant paying the costs, 5s. 6d.

PENDING APPOINTMENT AT WORTHAM WORKHOUSE.—At the meeting of the Hartismere Guardians, held at Eye on Monday, the Rev. T. Holt Wilson presiding, applications were received for the appointment of a female industrial trainer at the Wortham Industrial Home, from which the Guardians selected the following candidates:—Miss Fincham, Colchester; Miss Laura Harvey and Miss Ada Trudgill, Eye. The tender of Mr. Humphrey, of Wortham, to paint externally the Workhouse at Wortham for £9 15s. was accepted.

CONCERT AT FELIXSTOWE.—The second annual concert in the Victoria Hall, Felixstowe, in aid of the proposed Presbyterian Church, formed a source of enjoyment for a large and appreciative audience on Friday evening. The excellent programme, made up of instrumental and vocal music and recitations, was sustained by those connected with the Presbyterian temporary church, kindly assisted by friends. The following ladies and gentlemen contributed to the programme:—Miss Rands, Miss Edith Fraser, Miss Palmer, Miss Ethel Dobb, Mr. Hamilton, Miss Fraser, Mrs. Proctor Garrard, Miss Farquharson, Rev. W. Armstrong, Miss Wilks, Miss Moir and Mr. Horsfield.

ALLOTMENTS AT HADLEIGH.—Mr. Charles Cundy, of Sudbury, and Mr. Thomas Finch, head gardener, Gifford's Hall, Stoke, have inspected the allotments in the Bradfields, Pudding Row, and Watercroft Fields, for the purpose of awarding the prizes offered by the West Suffolk County Council for the best cultivated plots in Hadleigh. Awards:—First prize, Joseph Mann, Pudding Row Field; 2nd, Josiah Clarke, Pudding Row Field; 3rd, Fred Taylor, Bradfields.

HALESWORTH FOOTBALL CLUB ANNUAL MEETING.—The annual meeting of the members of the Halesworth Football Club took place on Friday. The chair was taken by Mr. W. Ram, jun. The report and balance-sheet showed that last season was the most successful the club has ever had. Twenty-one 1st XI. matches were played, of which 11 were won, 8 drawn, and only 2 lost. The total receipts amounted to £29 1s. 1d., and the expenditure to £28 16s. 4d., leaving a balance in hand of 4s. 9d. Officers were elected as follows:—Captain, Mr. M. K. W. Whiting; vice-captain, Mr. W. Ram, jun.; secretaries, Messrs. W. C. Gale and G. H. Parker; Committee, Messrs. T. Haward, W. Bacon, F. Cowles, H. Leathers, H. White, and A. Nicker; 2nd XI. captain, Mr. G. H. Parker. It was decided to join the North Suffolk League.

A MAN'S LEG BROKEN AT LEISTON.—On Sunday evening, a man named James Bird, living at Eastward Ho, Leiston, was standing opposite Mr. F. Baxter's stables, when a waggonette coming up the Sizewell Road knocked him down. On assistance being rendered it was found that the man's leg was broken.

PRIZE SHOOTING AT LEISTON.—On Monday the Leiston Volunteers held their annual shooting competition for money prizes, at the Sizewell Range. The weather was foggy at times, interfering with the shooting. The competition consisted of ten shots at 500 yards, and Sergt. Culham carried off the honours with an excellent 48 out of a possible 50. Chief scores:—Sergt. Walker 45, Major Sherwood 45, Prvt. H. Fisk 44, Prvt. W. Smith 41, Corpl. H. Smith 41, Sergt. S. Wolfe 40, Prvt. H. Wolfe 39, Sergt. J. Steward 39, Col.-Sergt. S. Read 39, Prvt. F. Wolfe 36, Corpl. Read 36, Prvt. H. Goodwin 35, Prvt. F. Mayston 35, Corpl. I. Cross 35, Corpl. J. Wolfe 34, Prvt. W. Goodwin 34, Sergt. Mecklenburgh 34, Prvt. W. Wolfe 33, Corpl. T. Levett 33, Prvt. E. Smith 31, Prvt. J. B. Pettit 31, Prvt. E. Brown 29, Prvt. W. Baylis 29, Prvt. T. Shaw 29, Sergt. R. Peskett 28, Prvt. F. Chaplin 26, Sergt. H. Pearson 25, Prvt. F. Brown 25, Prvt. H. Holley 22, Prvt. W. Mecklenburgh 20. Recruits: Prvt. F. Fellow 27, Prvt. A. Osborne 17.

BAZAAR AT LEISTON.—On Wednesday and Thursday a large bazaar was held in the Rectory grounds, the object being to raise funds for parochial purposes. The bazaar was opened on Wednesday afternoon by the Rector, and during the two days it was very well attended by the surrounding gentry and the parishioners. The stalls were arranged in the form of a semi-circle in a large marquee, and were tastily decorated with drapery and art muslin of all shades. Fans and mottoes also ornamented the interior of the marquee, the whole presenting a very bright and attractive appearance. The stalls, commencing at the right hand corner, were presided over by the following ladies:—1. Mrs. Jas. Baldry, Mrs. J. B. Harrison, and Mrs. T. Nunn; 2, the Misses Garrett; 3, Mrs. Percy Borrett, Miss Raven, and the Misses Richardson; 4, Mrs. Todd and Mrs. Wallis; 5, Mrs. W. H. Borrett, Mrs. Carr, Mrs. Rope, and Miss Sherwood; 6, flower stall, Miss Annie Westbrook and Miss M. Kemp. The following ladies gave the contents of their stalls, viz., the Misses Garrett, Mrs. Percy Borrett, Miss Raven, Mrs. Wallis, and Mrs. Todd. The other stalls, which were presided over by the ladies above mentioned, were furnished with useful clothing by a working party which was held some weeks before the bazaar, and the ladies kindly contributed the ornamental articles. An excellent refreshment stall was presided over by Mrs. Key, and a special attraction was a large tent in which Miss Allnutt exhibited her fine show of Lilliputian waxworks and which was much frequented. Tents were kindly lent by Mrs Ogilvie and Mr. T. Percy Borrett, Mrs. Ogilvie also furnished a large number of beautiful flags and mottoes to decorate the grounds. The weather on the two days was exceptionally fine, and a brisk business was done by the stall-holders, who were ably assisted by a numerous body of ladies and gentlemen. The band of the Leiston Volunteers also contributed to the pleasures of the gathering with selections of music played at intervals in the afternoon and evening, and the successful results of the bazaar quite equalled expectations. Nearly £150 was taken altogether, which, after deducting expenses, will leave a useful balance for the parochial funds.

NEW POOR RATE FOR LEXDEN AND WINSTREE.—The Finance Committee of the Lexden and Winstree Guardians, on Wednesday, recommended that a rate of 1s. 2d. in the £ be made, which would raise a total of £5,402 19s. to meet the estimated expenditure of £5,245, including £400 for sanitary purposes. It was decided to levy the rate.

EDUCATIONAL APPOINTMENTS AT LOWESTOFT.—A special meeting of the Lowestoft School Board was held on Monday evening to consider a report with reference to the appointment of a head-master and two assistant masters at the Camp Road School. The Rev. C. D. Laurence presided.—The report stated that the Committee selected four candidates out of the applications for the post of Head-master, viz., Mr. G. H. Osborne, Great Yarmouth; Mr. W. Cooper, March; F. J. Ratcliffe, Dovercourt, and F. W. Chambers, Burgh Castle. They recommended that Mr. Ratcliffe be appointed at a salary of £120 per annum; Mr. W. F. Seakings, of East Harling, at a salary of £55 per annum, subject to the appointment being reconsidered in the event of his not having passed the Queen's Scholarship examination; the gentleman recommended for the post of first assistant had since obtained another situation.—The report was adopted.

CONCERT AT PEASENHALL.—A second promenade concert was given by the Peasenhall string band on Wednesday evening, under the auspices of the Sibton and Peasenhall Sports Committee, in grounds kindly lent by Dr. C. E. Lay. The evening being beautifully fine, there was a great number of people present. The band played selections of dance music, and an inspection of the charming garden walks was permitted by the Doctor, which were brilliantly lighted by a number of Chinese lanterns and fairy lamps. Before playing "God save the Queen" a cordial vote of thanks was tendered to the Doctor. The proceeds were given to the Mechanics' Institute.

NEW POSTMASTER AT SAXMUNDHAM.—We understand that Mr. J. Wint, of the Returned Letter Office, London, has been appointed Postmaster.

SOUTHWOLD GOLF CLUB.—The return match with the Aldeburgh Club was played at Southwold on Wednesday, the visiting team winning by twelve holes. Scores:—Southwold: Holes up, Mr. R. E. Yerburgh 5, Mr. W. Whytock 2, Mr. J. B. Gooding 1, Mr. J. S. Heath 0, Mr. S. W. Woollett 0, Mr. A. C. Herbert 0, total 8. Aldeburgh: Holes up, Mr. J. V. Thompson 0, Mr. J. B. Pettitt 0, Mr. W. F. Gorton 0, Mr. J. L. Godlee 2, Mr E. J. Cheney 8, Mr. C. Salmon 10, total 20. A competition for prizes presented by the Rev. A. R. Upcher was held on Saturday. Scores:—Mr. S. W. Woollett 5, Mr. E. Yerburgh 5, Mr. J. B. Gooding 5, Mr. D. R. Gooding 11. The tie was played off on Monday. Result:—Mr. R. E. Yerburgh 2, Mr. J. B. Gooding 7, Mr. S. W. Woollett 10. The second class competition was won by Mr. W. Crimmen.

A STRADBROKE LICENSING QUESTION.—At Stradbroke Licensing Sessions on Thursday, Supts. Balls and Barnard presented their annual report to the Bench, and the licenses were renewed, excepting that to Jeremiah Garrod, of the Horseshoes, Weybread, which was deferred for a fortnight.

DEATH OF THE STRADBROKE RELIEVING OFFICER.—The death took place at Lowestoft, on Saturday, of Mr. William Notley, relieving officer for the Stradbroke District of the Hoxne Union. Deceased, who was in his 70th year, had been in failing health for some time, and had been staying with his son, Mr. A. G. Notley, of Lowestoft. The deceased gentleman was highly respected, and his death will be sincerely regretted by all who knew him.

VOLUNTEER SHOOTING AT SUDBURY.—The fifth monthly competition for the rifle presented to D Company 2nd Vol. Batt. Suffolk Regiment, by Mr. W. Finch, T.C., took place on Friday at Sudbury. Sergt.-Instr. Purcell made the top shoot with 58 points, and was closely followed by Corpl. Martin, who, with his handicap points made 57 points. Scores:—Sergt.-Instr. Purcell 58, Corpl. Martin 57, Corpl. Coote 53, Lieut. Armes 53, Colr.-Sergt. Death 52, Sergt. Dunn 50, Prvt. Hayward 47, Sergt. Shilling 41, and Sergt. Foster 29.

BOWLING AT WICKHAM MARKET.—A series of matches amongst members of the Club has been played during the past month, and on Wednesday evening the final was played off: 1st prize, Mr. O. A. Diver; 2nd, Mr. T. Mister; 3rd, Mr. R. Rackham. There was a large attendance to witness the finish.

FIRE AT WICKHAM MARKET.—An alarm of fire arose in Lower Street on Sunday evening at the house of Mr. F. Howell. One of the children was ill, and a lamp was placed on the dressing table near the window curtains. These caught fire, and the flames were seen from outside. The fire was speedily subdued. If a serious fire were to occur, the old fire engine is in a dilapidated condition.

NEW DISTRICT RATE FOR WOODBRIDGE.—The Woodbridge Local Board on Monday affixed their seal to a new general district rate of 10d. in the £.

MILITARY APPOINTMENT FOR A WOODBRIDGE GENTLEMAN.—Mr. F. P. Pierport Rouse, the youngest son of the Rev. R. C. M. Rouse (formerly rector of Woodbridge), a cadet at the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, has been selected for an appointment in the Indian Staff Corps. Mr. Rouse was educated at Aldenham Grammar School, and at the Oxford Military College, Cowley.

WOODBRIDGE VOLUNTEERS' FINAL SHOOTING CONTEST.—The last summer contest of E Company, 1st Volunteer Battalion Suffolk Regiment, took place on Saturday at Bromeswell. There was a strong head "fish tail" wind and rain. Prize winners:—Prvt. A. Legg 87 points, Lieut. L. W. Hayward 83, Corpl. W. Booth 82, Prvt. G. Minter 80, Prvt. F. Whisstock 74, Prvt. W. G. Whisstock 72.

SUCCESS OF WOODBRIDGE STUDENTS.—At the South Kensington examination, held in May, Miss Smyth, of Loudham, and F. D. Rowland, gained second-class certificates for freehand drawing, and John Howard passed in geometrical drawing. The two last-named were students at the County Council technical instruction class conducted by Miss Minter, at Woodbridge.

BOWLING AT WOODBRIDGE.—A return match between Saxmundham Queen's Head and Woodbridge Crown was played on the ground of the latter on Tuesday, and after a good game the home team proved victorious. Details:—Woodbridge: Threadkell 10, Jolly 7, Stidolph 4—21. Saxmundham: Howard 6, Low 1, Holmes 0—7. Woodbridge: Blyth 7, Rogers 8, Grimwood 7—22. Saxmundham: Miles 7, Filmore 3, Cutting 5—15. Woodbridge: Gammage 8, Bootle 8, Barratt 6—22. Saxmundham: Ford 4, Turner 0, Howlett 1—5. Woodbridge: Tacchi 5, Chaplin 9, Thornton 7—21. Saxmundham: Holmes 5, Howard 11, Cutting 4—20. Totals: Woodbridge 86; Saxmundham 47. After the match the players sat down to tea at the Crown, and the evening was spent in a convivial manner.

WOODBRIDGE LOCAL BOARD.—At the adjourned meeting of the Woodbridge Local Board on Monday evening, Mr. Thomas Carthew presided. There were also present—Messrs. R. H. Rowland, J. B. Hart, Alfred Barnes, J. T. Whisstock, John Garnham, C. Naunton, A. S. Betts, John Loder, and Alfred Gall.—The Surveyors' Committee recommended that 500 ft. Victoria paving, 200 ft. kerb stones, 500 ft. guttering, and 60 tons of granite should be purchased, at a total cost of about £88. With regard to an application from Mr. E. Freeman for the Surveyor to alter a portion of the paving and kerb in New Street, to admit of vehicles passing over it, the Committee suggested that the alteration be allowed, provided Mr. Freeman made it at his own expense.—The report of the Committee was adopted.—Mr. J. Fosdike was asked to give an estimate for re-roofing the fire-engine house.

QUOITS AT WOODBRIDGE.—The Woodbridge Avenue Quoit Club had quite a field day on Wednesday, when 16 members took part in a handicap tournament of 21 points up. Some valuable prizes were given for competition by the President and Vice-Presidents of the Club. During the day some capital play was shown, and the handicapping was all that could be desired. The prizes were won by the following:—1st, dressing case, W. C. Daniels, allowed three points; 2nd, electro-plated breakfast cruet, R. Adams, four; 3rd, leather handbag, W. Brinkley, scratch; 4th, briar pipe in case, T. Smith, two; 5th, travelling clock, John Buller, scratch; 6th, silver-mounted walking stick, F. A. Wright, three; 7th, pocket knife, A. W. Smith, four. A consolation handicap for the losers in the first heat will be played during the week, the prizes being—1st, electro-plated tankard, given by Dr. G. C. Edwards-Ker; 2nd, pocket knife. At the conclusion of play the competitors, who were joined by several visitors, adjourned to the Royal Oak Inn, where an excellent repast was provided by host Garnham, and the remainder of the evening was spent convivially, the hon. secretary, Mr. A. W. Smith, presiding.

INTERESTING CEREMONY AT LOWESTOFT.

CONSERVATIVE LEADERS IN NORTH SUFFOLK.

AN UNIQUE MOVEMENT.

On Friday evening an interesting ceremony took place at the Constitutional Club, when a movement set on foot by the hon. secretary (Mr. B. S. Bradbeer), to adorn the walls of the Club with portraits of past and present leaders of the Constitutional cause in the North Suffolk Division reached its first practical stage. The gathering was presided over by Mr. W. Stringfield, the chairman of the Club. In presenting his own portrait, Major Allez said it behoved every man in the kingdom at the present day to stick to the Union, and rescue it from

RADICALISM, SOCIALISM, AND ANARCHISM.—

Colonel Seppings, whose portrait represented him wearing the Mayoral robes and chain of office, presented it with a few suitable observations, while the portraits of Captain Larkins and Mr. E. K. Harvey were also laid upon the table. Amongst others whose portraits it was stated had been promised were Lord Stradbroke, the Mayor of Lowestoft (Mr. A. G. Notley), Col. Bagot-Chester, Capt. Horman Fisher, and Mr. C. S. Orde. The Chairman cordially endorsed a suggestion, which had been made by Major Allez, that the portrait of the Secretary be added to the number, Councillor Eastaugh carrying a resolution that the cost be met by subscriptions from members.

PARISH COUNCILS IN SUFFOLK.

DIVERSE OPINIONS ABOUT GROUPING.

At the quarterly meeting of the East Suffolk County Council, held at Ipswich on Tuesday, the chairman (Lord Henniker), in moving the reception of the report of the Special Committee to consider the question of the number of guardians appointed under the Local Government Act, 1894, or rural district councillors, said suggestions from various Unions were received and gone into most carefully, and he thought the Council could not do better than adopt the arrangements proposed. The Local Government Board had, however, since ruled that only one small parish could be added to an adjoining parish.—Mr. Whitmore said he should like to make

ONE ADDITION

to each of the following places:—Aldeburgh, Framlingham, Saxmundham, Wickham Market, and Orford.—Mr. Whitmore's proposition was not seconded.—Mr. J. E. Cook enquired upon what basis the Committee came to their conclusions—numerically, or on the rateable valuable. Sproughton, where the rateable value was very great, ought to have two Councillors instead of one.—Mr. Herman Biddell call attention to the fact that there was only one representative for Newbourne—a district which extended to within 300 yards of the borough of Ipswich. He thought the Committee had gone too far in making districts too big for one Guardian to overlook.—The alterations suggested by the Special Committee, which have already been published in the *Journal*, were unanimously adopted.—The Joint Committee appointed to deal with the question of the

STOW RURAL SANITARY DISTRICT

reported that at the last meeting it was moved by Mr. H. F. Harwood, seconded by Mr. A. C. Pretyman, "That, after inquiry, the Committee sees no special reasons for directing that the rural sanitary district of Stow shall not be divided as provided by Section 24 of the Local Government Act, 1894." To this the following amendment was moved by Lord John Hervey and seconded by Colonel Pocklington:—"That, provided no considerable alterations be made in the boundaries of the administrative county of West Suffolk, the Committee, after inquiry, see no special reasons for directing that the rural sanitary district of Stow shall not be divided as provided by Section 24 of the Local Government Act, 1894." Upon the amendment being put to the vote the two West Suffolk members voted for, and the three East Suffolk members against, and *vice-versa* upon the original motion. The original motion was declared to be carried.—The Council adopted the report.—Respecting the alteration of areas and unification of parishes, the Council accepted the recommendations of the Joint Committee, details of which have already been made public.—Ald. Lomax observed that Parliament had decided that the Parish Councils should come into power in December, and the alteration of the areas which had been made by the two Joint Committees of East and West Suffolk and Ipswich must take effect before the Council met in November.—An Order from the Local Government Board, transferring the parish of Creeting St. Peter from the Combs to the Stowupland electoral division was received, and also an Order was made altering the polling districts accordingly.

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The Ipswich Journal

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st.

HOUSE OF LORDS.

The result of the Hyde Park demonstration was hailed throughout the kingdom as a blow to the obstinate delusions of the extreme section of the Radical and Nationalist party that popular feeling was in favour of the ending of the House of Lords. Whether they were justified in their complaint or not that the Hereditary Chamber constituted a serious social evil by interfering in the process of beneficent legislation, the state of feeling as displayed by the audience gathered round the platforms on Sunday implies a recognition of the House of Lords as a necessary institution. There was not the least enthusiasm shown in the proceedings, and, taken as an indication of the hostility of the masses against the House of Lords, the demonstration must be regarded as a failure. Indeed, the apathy and at times the good-humour shown by the people go to confirm the general view that the position of the House of Lords is stronger to-day than at any previous period in modern history. The following extract from a letter forwarded us by a correspondent clearly indicates the measure of support that the Government are likely to receive at the next election should this cry of "Down with the Lords" be made the test question. "Whichever platform you turned to," writes our informant, "you heard the same 'arguments' against the Peers, and these were so stale that they would not be worth recording in any form if it were not for the fact that the interruptions showed distinctly that there were two elements in the crowds, and also a welcome spice of humour. Some of the gems were, 'The will of about five hundred great families cannot long withstand the more powerful will of the masses,' with the interposition from the outer fringe of the crowd of 'Bosh,' and cries of, 'The will of the Irish gang at Westminster.' 'The Peers,' said one speaker, 'as a body have shown how utterly incapable they are of understanding the signs of the times, of rightly appreciating the march of events, and of weighing the consequences of their own rash and imprudent acts,' and this was met with loud cries of, 'They understand the wants of the English majority.' 'Many questions are cropping up,' said another speaker, 'as to the right of a handful of men to set at naught the solemn decision of those elected by the constituencies to do the nation's work and register its decrees,' and from all parts of the crowd came expressions, 'They want you to go to the country,' 'The Government are ruled by the Irish members,' 'The Lords do as much real work in six hours as the Commons do in six days,' and so forth. One sentence which was bellowed forth from a stentorian tubthumper, 'The good and beneficent measures which the Lords have been compelled to pass have often been mangled, emasculated, and delayed,' was received with cries of, 'Yes; you cannot bribe or coerce the Lords,' 'They, like the people, don't believe in hasty legislation,' 'No more nonsense,' 'You cannot humbug us,' and the like. A speaker at one of the platforms ventured to predict that during the next four months it would be proclaimed by a vast majority of the people, from Cape Wrath to Land's End, that the opposition of the Peers to the majority of the Commons was something not to be borne, and that humiliation and extinction were the only terms that could be offered to them. Nobody cheered, some smiled, but the bulk of the people who had heard the observation walked away smiling and went to other platforms in search of fresh entertainment."

DEAD SEA FRUIT.

The speakers, we are told, were mainly recruited from among gentlemen whom their best friends could hardly term men of light and leading in the Radical ranks. There was no Cabinet Minister present, and worse still, several of the mediocrities showed, says the *Daily Chronicle*, with a candour that must indeed be perplexing to the supporters of the policy now set on foot, "a very natural desire" to shirk the whole business, on the plea that they must get away into the country; and some who had promised failed at the last moment. The composition of the speakers affords further illustration of the correctness of the surmise that we committed to print in our last issue, that the cry of "Down with the Lords" was merely requisitioned for the purpose of giving colour to the professions of the Government that they were in earnest in regard to their proposals respecting the Evicted Tenants Bill. The Nationalist party will doubtless realise that in the ranks of Liberalism there is nothing but philosophy and cold indifference. If the Liberal party were really in earnest about Home Rule and the Evicted Tenants Bill they would have sought from the electorate a mandate to carry their design into effect. There is too much of false pretence in the attitude of the Ministers. They profess confidence in the people, and yet will not test popular confidence. Lord ROSEBERY and the Chancellor of the Exchequer were never willing in their promotion of the scandalous scheme known as the Evicted Tenants Bill, by which it was sought to bribe the disaffected, extenuate the illegal, and gloss over the immoral. The measure of support which they gave to the Bill was granted in order to relieve the Nationalist members of the terrible onus that they had incurred in compelling their dupes to engage in the Plan of Campaign—an organisation, as we have explained, that had for its object the destruction of English interests in Ireland through the landlords, and thereby accomplishing in a large measure the move for separation. They were well aware that this absolute surrender of principle to Irish agitation could only bring forth Dead Sea fruit, and so it proved. The procedure adopted by the Liberal party in the House of Commons gives the House of Lords a fresh value and significance, and, as a contemporary well points out, the present is no time for allowing any of the legal powers of the House of Lords to lapse. These may be required any day, not only in defence of established institutions, but in defence of those very liberties of which the House of Commons, once proud to be the guardian, threatens to be the hangman.

AN AGITATOR'S IMPRESSIONS.

Whether Mr. W. O'BRIEN and his followers will retain faith in their British political associates after the failure of representative members of the Administration to present an appearance at Hyde Park to encourage this parrot cry of "Down with the House of Lords," will afford no little speculation. Mr. O'BRIEN will not like to confess that he has blundered in preferring alliance with them before combination with the Parnellites, but in view of the steps to be taken by the latter during the coming winter interesting developments may be expected. A glimmering of political light seems to have reached Mr. LEAMY, who presided at the meeting of the National League. In his opinion "the House of Lords might throw out "Irish Bill after Irish Bill, and there was not "a single Englishman, unless, indeed, it "affected his chances of a place in the "Government, who would care a thraneen "whether it was thrown out or not." Mr. LEAMY says that he has no desire to prevent men voting to limit the powers of the House of Lords, but he declares that they would be false if they allowed themselves to depart from "the work" at home on an agitation in England that might go on for years and years. Their duty, he asserts, is to compel the Government to make another appeal to the country. That is exactly what the House of Lords and the Unionists want the Liberals to do, and the Nationalists would be well advised in pursuing this course instead of attempting to infuse their iconoclastic ideas into the heads of the English electorate, because, forsooth, a narrow majority in a demoralised and discredited Government declared that the Evicted Tenants Bill was necessary. The action of the House of Lords in rejecting the measure can only have the popular approval. The Second Chamber would have deserved to be abrogated had it failed to have remitted the Bill to the people. Lord HERSCHEL allows that the right of the House of Lords to disregard the action of the House of Commons is in proportion to the weakness of the majority by which that action is taken. If the House of Lords makes a mistake about this intermediate point the error can only be detected by an appeal to the people, who in that case will take care that no such mistake will occur a second time. That is precisely what Lord SALISBURY and the Peers say. The Government fully understand the situation, but are indisposed to sacrifice the "loaves and fishes." The only thing they are in earnest about is the retention of office, and we can afford to treat this demonstration, promoted by Irish agitators and without the official cognisance of the leaders of the Liberal party, as an opportunity to fire off the oratorical pyrotechnics with which they entertain and delude the ignorant crowd in Ireland; but the denunciation of "the ruffians" who venture to maintain the rights of the "predominant partner" (as Lord ROSEBERY designates this country) without showing in what way th Peers have done any political, economic, moral wrong, will only tend to raise the House of Lords in popular favour.

LIBERALS AND LIBERTY.

The reply which Mr. GLADSTONE has written to the address he received from the National Liberal Federation some little time past is well worth studying. The venerable statesman expresses a hope that the future may be marked by, besides other things, "the same "regard for individual freedom" which gave to the work of the Liberal party in past years so much promise of stability. Can this remark have anything to do with the recent attempt of a majority of the supporters of the Government to curtail the liberty of the miners by not allowing them to work for more than eight hours a day, even though a majority of them in any district might wish to do so? There can be little doubt that Mr. GLADSTONE was so absorbed by the question of Irish Home Rule from 1886 till his retirement from office at the beginning of this year, that he probably was not duly aware of the great change that had come over the party he was leading—the party whose watchword in bygone days had been "Liberty." Now that he has had a few months to survey the scene he has begun to realise the direction towards which the attitude of a large section of his former supporters is driving the so-called Liberal party.

THE LEICESTER ELECTION.

A striking illustration is afforded in the result of the Leicester election to the feeling of revulsion that is setting in against a Government that obtained its position by fraud and misrepresentation. Home Rule, Local Veto, the Registration Bill, the Eight Hours Question, and a host of other reforms were promised the electorate. A victory was snatched on these points and claimed for the Home Rule measure, and nothing more has been earnestly attempted in that or any other direction. The political machine was thoroughly overburdened. One thing at a time is as good a motto for political leaders as for less ambitious people. Although the Newcastle Programme has been before the people for some time, little or no progress has been made with it. And how far is the House of Lords responsible? To an almost if not quite inappreciable extent, and this the electorate of Leicester realise. The result of promising all things is coming home to roost. It is all very well to talk nonsensical bombast about the Lords obstructing the line, and the necessity to clear the way for the "Democratic" express. The express stands a wonderfully good chance of getting off the line altogether, owing to the confusion and the rivalry of the drivers, and how the Government expect to pass that fast traveller, the Nationalist party, who are determined to press for precedence for an Evicted Tenants Bill against the promoters of the Welsh Disestablishment measure, is a problem the solution of which causes intense speculation. A large number of the electorate of Leicester have shown that they prefer the reasonable progressive legislation that the Conservative party has always been distinguished for, in preference to the promise-all perform-nothing Radical Government. It is much to be regretted that 200 votes should have prevented Mr. ROLLESTON from securing a seat for the Conservative party, but he will have the satisfaction of feeling that he has gained a moral victory. The result of the election again affirms the necessity for contesting every Radical seat, no matter how forlorn the hope may appear. This much is certain, that had Mr. ROLLESTON contested the division at the last election he would have gained a seat on the present occasion. However, the result is eminently satisfactory to those whose first desire is the support of the Consititution, proving, as it does, the profound dissatisfaction that exists in the heart of one of the most Radical strongholds.

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STOUR VALLEY SITE SELECTED.

INTERESTING PARTICULARS.

Will coal be found in East Anglia? That is the question uppermost in the minds of thousands of people in these counties to-day. The announcement, which we publish in another column, to the effect that more than the necessary £5,000 has been subscribed for the purpose of coal-boring and developing the seam when found, will be received with general satisfaction, inasmuch as the success of the Coal Boring and Development Syndicate is that also of the thousands of labourers and other workers in Suffolk. We regret, however, to learn on the authority of Mr. R. C. Rapier, that the Company have not received that support which might have reasonably been expected from the county landlords. Why this is so it is difficult to conceive; for it follows that if coal is found land will increase in value enormously and that a vast industrial population will rapidly spring up in what has hitherto been a somewhat secluded and easy-going part of the country. Still the subscribers look with hope to the success of the venture, and having gone so far as to select the valley of the Stour as the site of the trial borings, we may be permitted to presume that operations will be speedily commenced. Meanwhile, we can only hope in the commercial interests of Suffolk that for the nonce the geologists have not been deceived in their selection of sites, and that coal may be quickly discovered in such abundance as to amply reward the public spirit which has prompted the present undertaking. Those interested in the search for coal in East Anglia assembled in force at the Town Hall, Ipswich, on Tuesday afternoon. It was stated that a sum of £5,208 had been subscribed. It was pointed out that only a very few landlords had subscribed. The Chairman (Mr. R. C. Rapier) declared that the proposed operations should have great interests for landlords, as, owing to the competition in grain, they could not make any money by growing wheat; consequently they, not being able to get as much off the surface as they had done hitherto, ought to be disposed to behave liberally with those who were willing to try and find whether there was anything under the surface. Mr. G. Calver Mason informed the meeting that the

ADVICE OF THE BEST GEOLOGISTS

had been taken as to the selection of places for boring. Mr. J. C. Browne, of Bury St. Edmund's, hoped that the residents of that end of the county would subscribe more liberally now that the enterprise had been started. He believed there was a strong probability of discovering coal. Colonel Barnardiston gave it as his opinion that several trials would have to be made, and they should not be discouraged by one or two failures to discover what they so anxiously desired to find. He hoped that another £1,000 would be raised in order to give the experiment a fair trial. Mr. Ellis Titchmarsh gave

SOME VERY INTERESTING FIGURES.

He said that there was far more probability of a profitable return about many other speculations than that they were entering into. He did not think there was much doubt about their finding coal, but whether they found it in paying quantities or not was quite another question. They might be successful on this point, and, if they were, he had tried to look at the effect on Ipswich alone. He found that the average quantity of coal consumed in the town was from 110,000 to 120,000 tons per annum—that if the borough progressed as it has been progressing, an average consumption of about 120,000 tons might be expected. Upon the cost of this coal, if it could be found in the district, it was a very moderate computation indeed to expect a

SAVING OF HALF THE COST

of the carriage of coal from a distance, or at least 4s. per ton, and this would mean a saving to Ipswich alone of no less than £24,000 per annum—as much, probably, as the whole public income of the town. It was difficult to realise what a difference that would make to the place. According to statistics and reliable computation, the income made by a population was turned over half-a-dozen times before its full benefit was exhausted, and this saving of £24,000 in fuel would therefore amount to an increased turnover in local trade of not less than £144,000. Besides all this, there was the increased amount in wages which would be spent profitably in the neighbourhood. Several gentlemen spoke in a hopeful strain of more subscriptions being contributed. At a later stage of the meeting the Chairman said that although search would probably be made in

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the first boring would be made in the valley of the Stour, that locality having been indicated by geologists. That first boring would probably indicate to them the most likely locality for a second, the second for a third, and so on. The proceedings must be tentative. No man in his senses would make more than one boring at a time.—The meeting shortly after ended.

CURRENT TOPICS.

IMMIGRATION FROM THE METROPOLIS.

THE LARGEST HOTEL IN THE WORLD.

AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION AT READING.

THE SMALL-POX OUTBREAK.

[BY OUR LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.]

FRIDAY Midnight.

The fact just made public by the London County Council that for the first time on record emigration from the Metropolis exceeded immigration to it in the decade ended with 1891, has greatly raised the spirits of some who had begun to despair of the ever-growing mass of misery here. It is of importance, too, to the whole country, for it means that the rage of the rural labourer to leave the soil has been checked. "How has it came about?" is asked. The light thrown on "outcast London" ten or twelve years ago has had something to do with it, opening the eyes of our villagers to the knowledge that migration to London often means out of the frying-pan into the fire.

The great dock strike, with its further revelation of be wretchedness of thousands in the Metropolis, strengthened the impression. Finally the Allotment and Small Holding Acts of the Unionist Government, their establishment of County Councils, and their promise to add District and Parish Councils—a promise carried out by their successors—encouraged many agricultural labourers to stay at home. It is hoped and believed here that these measures will not only add to the inducements to remain on the land, but may so increase the comfort there as to bring about a decided movement from London to the rural districts. This hope is fortified by the enthusiasm with which allotments on the Isle of Dogs and at Abbey Mills have been welcomed.

"Hobbes's Folly" is a name well known to Londoners, and yet many of them fail to connect it with the immense, empty, though not unhandsome building which for a year or two has dwarfed everything else on the Embankment, especially its neighbour, the Savoy Hotel, beloved of wealthy visitors from the Continent and America. Strangers were quite puzzled by the edifice. They felt that it must be important. Nevertheless they seldom found anybody who know anything about it. "Hobbes's Folly" is one of the assets in connection with the Liberator Societies. Always interesting, it promises to be more so, for the official receiver, finding it impossible to sell or let the place on satisfactory terms, has entered on the experiment (perhaps unprecedented in the annals of the Bankruptcy Court) of converting it into a hotel to be worked for the benefit of the victims of the Liberator crash.

The Bankruptcy Court responsible for the management of a hotel—for that is what the scheme amounts to—is worth making a note of. The receiver is doing the work on a colossal scale. Nearly a million will have been spent on the building when finished. With 750 bedrooms, it will be the largest hotel in the world. Big as the edifice is, it is to be made bigger. The additions are to enclose a great courtyard. Salisbury Street, Strand, has been demolished to make way for an entrance, and another will overlook the Embankment. It is hoped, and is likely, that the unfortunate Liberator shareholders will reap a rich harvest from the venture.

The character of the preparations which have been made at the Local Government Board to meet any possible attack of cholera is certainly noteworthy. Medical inspectors have, I find, been appointed to investigate suspicious cases in any part of the country. At Whitehall itself a daily record is kept of all these cases, and the most careful and extended reports are demanded in each instance. All available material is subjected to a rigid bacteriological investigation. While this is so, a special staff keenly observes the progress of the disease on the Continent, and the places which are regarded as centres of contagion—Marseilles is one of them—are watched with a singularly close attention. As a fact, the medical officers of the Local Government Board have simply formed themselves into a sanitary intelligence department, with an emergency staff always ready for action. The reason for this activity is to be found in the fact that the authorities anticipate the next four weeks with a certain amount of foreboding.

I hear that once more Lord Spencer is being urged by many of the most prominent advisers of the navy that unless some steps are taken to obtain seamen a catastrophe will be made possible. The insufficiency of sailors is, of course, the most significant fact in connection with the present condition of the navy, and its importance has been aggravated by the apparent inability to obtain stokers and engineers. This fact now confronts Lord Spencer, that two sources of supply hitherto relied on have failed. The ordinary method of recruiting is found to be unproductive; the reservists simply refuse to serve even six months on board men-of-war. However, these two sources cannot be abandoned because of this. They must still be resorted to. In fact there is nothing else to be done. What, however, Lord Spencer is advised to do is to at once increase the attractiveness of the navy—to offer an increased rate of pay, to give a more sympathetic ear to the claims of the warrant officers, and to make promotion easier. Lord Spencer, it must be confessed, is in sympathy with these proposals. However, hitherto he has been defeated in the desire he has expressed in this direction by his own colleagues.

The keeper of the monkey-house in the Jardin des Plantes at Paris has for some days past been puzzled by seeing his monkeys smoking cigarettes. The wits of Paris declare that some learned professors were just about to issue an exhaustive paper on the subject of monkeys and tobacco from the earliest times, when the keeper solved the mystery. He lay in wait near the cage, and at last caught some boys, who had taught the monkeys to smoke, and came every day to give them lighted cigarettes. The boys have been taken to the Police Station, and the professors' studies have been relegated to the waste-paper basket.

Unwittingly most of the newspapers have done an injustice to the memory of the late Prince Dhuleep Singh. It seems he was not quite so eccentric as at first appeared from the statement of the sale of his personal effects. The expensive amateur's lathe, the costly tools for fancy turning, watchmaking, and other crafts, the Berthon boats, the drugs and Seidlitz powders were his; but not the battery of breech-loading guns nor the thirty pneumatic bicycles. These belonged to other owners, and were added to the catalogue to fill up the sale. It is only fair to the auctioneers, Messrs. Debenham, Storr, and Sons, to say that they did not attribute the ownership of the guns and bicycles to the late Maharajah.

During the past year agriculture has been made a subject of study at the University Extension College at Reading, and great success has attended the experiment. Lying as Reading does in the heart of a great agricultural district, the college has become one of the best institutions in the kingdom for its particular purpose. The practical part of the education must be got upon farms, and, to the credit of the great landowners round about Reading, thirteen experimental stations have been established on their estates in the surrounding counties, where a comprehensive course of instruction can be obtained. I observe that a similar college is about to be opened at Wye, which will probably also branch out into a series of departments for Sussex and Kent. If the great landowners there take up the idea with the same liberality and alacrity as those around Reading have manifested, a career of usefulness also awaits it, and the next generation of British agriculturists may look upon their profession with less desponding thought than the present generation are compelled to do.

The smallpox outbreak is in a state of uncertainty whether to collapse altogether or to break out into a respectable epidemic. A few new cases are from day to day recorded, but the watchful authorities lay instant hold of them, and put the poor victims under solitary confinement in an isolation hospital. Meanwhile the anti-vaccinationists clamour for the report of the Royal Commission.

Austrian matrimonial advertisements, according to the *Telegraph's* correspondent at Vienna, are marked by an acceptable humorous audacity. Here, for instance, is one that ran for six or seven days:—"Wanted, a rich lady—no matter how old—who will finance a student of medicine until such time as h obtains his degree, when he engages to marry his benefactress." And another is quoted wherein a young prince seeks a handsome girl with a dowry of not less than £250,000 in English money. When the desired mate is obtained all one's needs are apparently satisfied, judging from this advertisement for a purchaser for "a well-trained monkey, a talkative parrot, and a beautiful sympathetic cat," which "belong to a lady, who, owing to her approaching marriage, has no further use for them."

TOWN AND COUNTRY.

BUMBLEDOM IN SUFFOLK.

HOW AN OVERSEER WAS DELUDED.

AMUSING RESULT OF A BIGAMY.

THE "KNOCKOUT" AT EYE.

IPSWICH, Friday.

It is often claimed to be the birthright of a Briton to grumble and not infrequently is that prerogative exercised. How often do we hear over-burdened and over-taxed ratepayers bewailing the extravagance of town councils, local boards, boards of guardians, overseers and other money-spending authorities, but after all there is not at the present time (thanks to an outspoken and healthy public opinion) the same cause for complaint, more particularly with regard to "Bumbledom," as was the case some twenty or even ten years ago. Still it is profitable and interesting to occasionally take a peep into the past and realise the enormity of the offences which overseers and boards of guardians were in the habit of perpetrating. Dr. J. M. Rhodes, of Didsbury, Lancashire, a well-known authority on poor-law questions, is contributing a series of articles on the latest Local Government Act to the *Cheshire Evening Echo*, which are as interesting as they are instructive.

Speaking of the old overseers, the writer remarks that their "rule was one of wilful waste. Some of the worst cases of this shameful waste of public money are found in the bills sent in for those 'marriages of necessity,' where the expenses of the marriage of the pauper were paid by the overseers to avoid the cost of a future young pauper. It was not an unknown thing for a rural parish to spend £20, or even £30 a-year on marriages of this kind. Sometimes the amount so expended was anything but a lucrative investment on the part of the overseers, as an overseer of a parish not far from Ipswich found to his cost. A widow with a family was a very troublesome pauper. A man belonging to the town of Ipswich was induced to marry her by the promise of a marriage portion of £6. The overseer, to make all sure, attended the wedding himself and dined with the newly-married couple. Two years afterwards it turned out that the man had tricked the overseer, as he had been married before, so the result of that piece of rascality was that the parish lost the £6, and had to support the widow and her original family, plus two that had been born since the bigamous marriage took place. The overseers of that parish," adds Dr. Rhodes, "had evidently taken Lady Teazle's advice and 'left morality altogether out of the question.'"

While it would appear that the G.E.R. Company possesses a monopoly of energy and enterprise—both of which invariably benefit the public—it is gratifying to learn that the travelling public fully appreciate the great facilities which this Company offer of visiting the east coast watering-places. Twelve months ago last January the Great Eastern abolished second-class on all their long distance trains, and, according to the statement of a leading official who has been interviewed by a metropolitan contemporary, the change has proved a wise one, inasmuch as it has greatly simplified the working of the line, and has shown to the Company that the proportion of second-class passengers is so small as to be unworthy special consideration. To many people the arrangement for three classes has been looked upon as somewhat of a humbug, and we venture to say that we are voicing the opinion of thousands of travellers when we say that were the third class abolished, and the first and second allowed to remain matters would be still further simplified. Will the G.E.R. be the first company to make the innovation, seeing that during the last completed year they carried more passengers than any other line in the kingdom?

Of late years swimming competitions have grown enormously in popularity in Suffolk, and in Ipswich in particular—thanks to the splendid baths which the town possesses, and the dissemination of the natatory art by the Ipswich Swimming Club. The pleasure of this particular recreation has also been very much enhanced by the open-air "plunges," thus enabling bathers to enjoy, almost at their own doors, the invigoration of an ocean dip.

The parapets of Ipswich, like most old towns, are already uncomfortably narrow; but when tradesmen decide to monopolise the footpath by exhibiting samples of their goods and lowering their sunshades until an average sized man or woman is unable to pass under without seriously disturbing their head gear, the discomfort to pedestrians is increased tenfold. Were all tradesmen to display their goods in the profusion which some of their competitors do, an end would be put to one of the comforts of free citizenship, that of a clear passage through the thoroughfares which the public have to maintain.

According to a contemporary the inhabitants of Cromer are in a bad way and are in want of a new means of advertisement. When so unintelligent a fowl as the seagull can play a practical joke on seaside visitors by imitating the sea-serpent, the poor old monster must indeed have fallen upon evil days. Thus it is that the August seaside tripper is "gulled."

The iteration of a tune which now is whistled, again sung, and a third time given out by a rotary street instrument, becomes irritating to persons with a refined musical ear. Municipal regulations exist almost without number, but unhappily we have not heard of the one that touches this especial nuisance of "After the Ball" and "He dunno where 'e are."

Adverting to a case at the last sitting of the Eye County Court, the result of a "knock out" after sale, in which considerable local interest was manifested, the *Property Market Review* says:—"It is difficult, on the facts stated, to see in what the alleged warranty was supposed to consist. Apparently he bought the article in question from the defendant in reliance upon the description in the catalogue, and not upon any statement made by the defendant to him. It could hardly be effectually contended that the defendant by passing the goods on to the plaintiff adopted the description in the catalogue and made it his own. In the absence of independent affirmation on his part, there would appear to have been no such representation by him as to the nature or quality of the article which he sold to the plaintiff as would constitute what the law regards as a warranty.

Homing pigeon fanciers in the Eastern Counties may be interested in the fact that our Continental neighbours pay more attention to the successful use of these birds for national purposes. Germany is said to possess the most efficient pigeon service in Europe, but it is principally used for military purposes on shore. Italy, Spain, and the United States—the latter's service being in a high state of efficiency—all employ pigeons for naval uses; and it is also reported by the authorities at Key West that they habitually receive messages from ships 100 miles out at sea, well-trained birds being depended upon to accomplish such a journey through storms of wind and rain. The carrier pigeon is invariably, but likewise erroneously, spoken of as the bird used for conveying small parcels and news despatches. The carrier has no particular instinct this way; the "Blue rock" is the species generally employed, as it flies more strongly than birds of a more distinct and purer strain. France alone votes £4,000 a-year towards keeping up a supply of pigeons; England, we believe, not a penny.

The Inland Revenue returns for the year ended March 31st last, on closer investigation, reveal some rather interesting statistics for the inhabitants of East Anglia. During the period named, that valued friend of man, the dog, produced in Suffolk £5,110 10s., representing an estimated canine population of over 14,000. Gun licenses realised £1,836 10s. for 3,673 guns; while licenses to kill game—the natural corollary of dogs and guns—increased the revenue by £3,943. These returns do not include the East Anglian metropolitan town of Ipswich, which is a county borough of itself.

Mr. Jeremiah James Colman, M.P., who has been playing the rôle of host in the journalistic camp at Norwich, is better known in connection with mustard than newspapers. He is not a journalist, but a newspaper proprietor, which is a very different thing. He has a large stake, says a contemporary, in several papers in Norfolk and Suffolk, while it is tolerably certain that but for the Colman contributions certain London Radical prints would long since have ceased to exist. Mr. Colman is a Norfolkian by birth. He is 63, and has sat as Liberal M.P. for Norwich since 1871. Such devotion deserves the stock reward of the Liberal party—a peerage, to wit—and if Liberal promises count for anything he will get it. Mr. Colman on Saturday said he did not believe in a journal that required subsidising, and independence in journals and journalism was the only sure basis on which they could be properly worked. Has Mr. Colman been hard hit that he should speak thus? Are the papers that he has helped to finance free, impartial, and independent?

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A FOOLISH SUFFOLK LABOURER

IMPUDENT THEFT OF A FOWL.

Ambrose Sparrow, labourer, was charged at the Clare Petty Sessions on Monday with stealing a chicken and two eggs, the property of George Eley, farmer, Little Thurlow. He was fined 10s., in default seven days' hard labour.

SINGULAR CASE AT HOPTON.

A TWELVE-YEAR-OLD GIRL CHARGED WITH ASSAULT.

Maud Bush, a girl of twelve, was charged at Ixworth on Monday with assaulting Mary Morriss, a child of five years of age, at Hopton. The chairman (the Duke of Grafton) suggested that the parties should settle the matter out of Court, which they ultimately did.

BRUTAL ASSAULT BY A HOPTON LABOURER.

HEAVY PENALTY.

At Ixworth, on Monday, Fredk. Simper, labourer, of Honington, was charged on bail with assaulting Elvine Simper. Defendant struck complainant and knocked her down, and when on the ground struck her again severely on the face and neck.—Police-constable Folger, who picked her up, described the assault as a brutal one.—Defendant was fined £1 and costs £1 0s. 6d., and was bound over in £5 to keep the peace for six months, the Chairman remarking that the Bench thought it a very brutal assault.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, COLCHESTER.

RESTORATION DECIDED UPON.

A largely-attended vestry meeting was held at St. Peter's Church, Colchester, on Tuesday, to consider the question of restoring the church.—The vicar (the Rev. J. M. Laycock), who presided, produced the amended plans of Messrs. King and Lister, which showed complete restoration in the Perpendicular style, the whole of the existing old work and the tower being retained.—Replying to a question, the Chairman said that the cost of carrying out the entire scheme was estimated at £4,000, including the architect's fees. The Perpendicular windows at the side might be left out, and that would reduce the cost to about £3,000.—The plans were accepted.

A SUFFOLK HERO.

GALLANT CONDUCT OF A LOWESTOFT BOY.

A CRIPPLE'S RESCUE FROM A WATERY GRAVE.

A lad named J. H. Beall, 15 years of age, son of the chief officer of the Coastguards, performed a gallant service in rescuing a cripple from the yacht basin. The latter was a boy about ten years old, named James Physk, whose crutches slipped, and he fell into the water. Without divesting himself of a particle of clothing, Beall jumped into the basin, and as Physk was about to sink for the second time he caught him and kept him afloat until both were able to safely get ashore with the help of another man.

ASSAULT AND ROBBERY AT YARMOUTH.

DASTARDLY OUTRAGE ON A FEMALE

A WELL-DESERVED SENTENCE.

On Monday, at Great Yarmouth Police Court, Samuel Smith, a fisherman, belonging to Thorpe, was charged with violently assaulting Mary Ann Smith, and stealing from her the sum of 3s.—Prosecutrix, who appeared in the witness-box with two black eyes and her nose enveloped in bandages, stated that she was a single woman, living in Row 30. On Friday she met the prisoner and another man in Howard Street, and they had drink together. Later they were about to enter another public-house, when prisoner struck his companion a violent blow and knocked her down, taking the amount stated in the charge from her pockets as she lay on the ground.—Prisoner, when arrested, said, "All right, old Lingwood; I expected you would be after me." Prisoner admitted the assault, but denied taking the money.—A sentence of three calendar months' imprisonment, without the option of a fine, was inflicted.

SAILING NEAR TO THE WIND.

ALLEGED FRAUD BY A DOVERCOURT FARMER.

On Monday, at the Colchester Police Court, Edward May Sewell, farmer, of 10, Manor Road, Dovercourt, was charged with having, on 20th inst., by false pretences, obtained from Emma Smith the sum of 18s. 9d.—Mrs. Smith said she lived in St. John's Street, Colchester, and let apartments. Defendant called at her house and told her that he knew of a gentleman who would pay her a guinea a week for apartments. Defendant also said he had something which would be of great benefit to her, and by which she might make £3 15s. in a quarter. He had come to Colchester to

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to be placed over wash-stands, and would sell her fifteen for 18s. 9d., and she might sell them for 1s. 6d. each. She gave him 18s. 9d., but she failed to sell the splashers. Defendant did not name the time during which the customers would call for the splashers.—The Chairman said that the Magistrates did not think it was a case in which a jury would convict, although they were of opinion that defendant had been sailing exceedingly near to the wind. They discharged defendant.

SUFFOLK RETURNING OFFICERS

THEIR COSTS REVISED.

County Council Election Returning Officers' costs formed the principal item in the report of the General Purposes Committee to the East Suffolk County Council on Tuesday. The Committee recommended that the following scale be adopted in East and West Suffolk until the 1st July, 1895:—For each Electoral Division other than in a borough: for an uncontested election, £6 10s.; for a contested election, £25. For each Electoral Division in a borough: for an uncontested election, £5; for a contested election, £20. This scale to include all payments out of pocket and all other charges.—Discussion took place as to the scale of charges, and Mr. J. H. Leggott moved that they be referred back to Committee. He thought £25 an excessive amount to allow for an ordinary polling district.—Mr. W. Short seconded.—Alderman Lomax said the matter could not be referred back, as West Suffolk had adopted it, and it would be brought up again on July 1st next year.—The scale of charges was approved by 27 votes to nine.

SUFFOLK VETS. AT LOGGERHEADS.

EXTRAORDINARY DIFFERENCES OF OPINION.

A FARMER SUFFERS FOR THEM.

At Samford Petty Sessions on Tuesday, before Captain A. H. Morse (chairman) and the Rev. J. H. Hocking, Mr. John Keeble, farmer, of Brantham, was summoned for having in his possession certain diseased horses, within the meaning of the Glanders or Farcy Act, 1892, and did not give notice of the affection to the police of the district in contravention to the order.—Mr. F. J. W. Wood prosecuted, and Mr. E. P. Ridley defended.—For the prosecution it was stated that the defendant had been apprised of the existence of glanders in three horses in his possession by veterinary surgeons, and in spite of that had not taken the necessary precautions. For the defence it was submitted that the opinion of a Colchester veterinary surgeon had been taken, and he ridiculed the idea of the existence of glanders, and as proof of the *bona-fides* of the opinion it was stated that the same authority offered £25 for the colt. Two days before the horses were slaughtered the veterinary surgeon, believing in the accuracy of his diagnosis, lent the defendant a horse valued at 39 guineas. Under the circumstances it was submitted that the defendant was justified in accepting his surgeon's opinion. It was argued also that the question of the existence of glanders was only settled on a *post-mortem* being made on the animals, as there were no signs of ulceration of the nostrils or other symptoms of glanders.—Defendant was fined £5 with £5 14s. 10d. costs.

ROMANTIC ADVENTURE IN ESSEX.

LOVERS CONSENT TO DIE TOGETHER.

A YOUNG WOMAN'S REMARKABLE STORY.

EXTRAORDINARY PROCEDURE.

A most remarkable story told to the Romford police on Monday is being investigated. Emily Spooner, aged 21, daughter of Mr. Thomas Spooner, of Heath Farm, Orsett, Essex, engaged as mother's help, at 1, Clifton Terrace, Southend, went out on Saturday evening, but did not return. On Monday morning her parents found her at the house of a married sister, living at 19, Waterloo Road, Romford; she had gaping wounds on the left side of her neck, the left breast, and left arm. To the police she made an extraordinary confession. She said that a solicitor's clerk, to whom she was engaged, had written to her last week saying he felt despondent, as he had failed in an examination, and intended to commit suicide. She met him at Southend on Saturday, and

THEY PROMISED TO DIE TOGETHER.

They went into the country and took chloroform, which did not prove fatal. They fell into a ditch and got soaked with dirty water. The young man pulled her out, and she consented to let him kill her, after which he was to kill himself. He then inflicted the wounds on her and cut his own throat. They lost much blood, but did not die. After wandering about all day, he took train for Ilford and she came on to Romford. The girl's wounds are not serious. It has been ascertained that the young man is Arthur Roland Hill, who lives at Ecclesbourne, Clements Wood Estate, Ilford. On Sunday evening Hill appears to have sold his coat at Chadwell Heath Station, near Dagenham, for sixpence, to pay a railway fare. On Monday afternoon a lady's cape was found in a field at Dagenham, where Miss Spooner alleges the attempted suicides took place, and the cape has been identified as belonging to her.

ESSEX AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

SOUTHEND FOR NEXT YEAR'S SHOW.

A deputation from Southend-on-Sea waited upon the Council of the Essex Agricultural Society on Monday and invited them to hold the next annual show of the Society in their borough. The invitation was cordially accepted. It is nearly 14 years since an agricultural show was held at Southend.

A MINE FLOODED.

SERIOUS DAMAGE.

A stream of water has broken into the workings of Eppleton Colliery, one of the group owned by the Hetton Coal Company, and stopped coal-drawing operations. A large number of men have been rendered idle in consequence. Every effort is being made to stop the inrush of water.

THE NEW TORPEDO GUNBOAT.

A SUCCESSFUL TRIP.

The new torpedo gunboat Harrier, off Plymouth, had a very successful eight hours' steam trial. Her engines, with natural draught, developed 2,696 horse-power, or nearly 200 beyond the guarantee, and her speed was 18 knots an hour, against 16·9 and 17·1 attained by her sister vessels Halcyon and Hazard. Mr. H. J. Bakewell, engineer inspector, represented the Admiralty.

PRICE OF WATER AT THETFORD.

REVISED SCALE OF CHARGES ADOPTED.

At a special meeting of the Thetford Town Council on Friday, Alderman Jillings presiding, the Waterworks Committee recommended that the scale of charges for water for trade purposes should be revised, and suggested that, instead of a charge of 9d. per 1,000 gallons by meter, it should be 8d., and the minimum charge 8s. per quarter, in addition to meter rental. After discussion, the recommendations of the Committee were adopted.

FIRE AT IPSWICH.

EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO THE ROOF.

About noon on Wednesday an outbreak of fire occured in a hay and straw loft at the rear of a general shop, kept by Mr. George Marshall, 2, East Street, Ipswich. The Fire Brigade under Deputy-Supt. W. Hayward promptly answered the alarm with the hose-reel. The steamer was got ready, but was not required. A strong force of water was thrown on to the fire, and it was soon well in hand. It was not extinguished, however, before the roof had been extensively damaged, a portion 12ft. long and 18ft. wide being destroyed. The damage is covered by insurance.

A WOMAN'S HARD FATE.

EIGHT CHILDREN AND NO WORK.

THE MOTHER ABANDONS HOPE.

Sophia Rooney, a poorly-dressed woman, appeared at the Mansion House with a baby in her arms charged with attempting suicide at Blackfriars. She jumped from the steps into the water, but was rescued by a boat. In answer to the charge the woman said, "It was all through trouble, having eight children to keep, my husband out of work, and all my goods have been turned out of the house." The husband, whose statement proved to be true, said that he had been unable to get work at his trade as a glass blower, owing to foreign competition. Sir S. Knill discharged the prisoner, who was given temporary relief from the funds of the poor-box.

THE CONTEST AT LEICESTER.

RESULT OF THE POLLING.

The polling at Leicester took place on Wednesday, and the result was announced at a late hour, as follows:—

Mr. H. Broadhurst (L)	9465
Mr. W. Hazell (L)	7184
Mr. J. F. L. Rolleston (C) ...	6967
Mr. Burgess (Labour)	4402

At the last three previous elections the results were as follow:—In 1892 Sir James Whitehead and Mr. Picton were unopposed. The figures at the elections of 1885 and 1886 were:—1885, Mr. J. A. Picton (R), 11,480; Mr. A. M'Arthur (R), 11,121; Major Millican (C), 6,750; Radical majority, 4,371. 1886, Mr. J. A. Picton (R), 9,914; Mr. A. M'Arthur (R), 9,681; Mr. R. Bickersteth (U), 5,686; Radical majority, 3,995.

ATTEMPTED MURDER OF A STEPMOTHER AT CAMBRIDGE.

PRISONER FURTHER REMANDED.

On Monday, at Cambridge Police Court, Samuel Jackson (22), billiard marker, was charged on remand with feloniously wounding Mary Ann Jackson, his stepmother, by cutting her throat with a razor with intent to murder her, at Maid's Causeway, on August 14th.—Mr. Thomas Greer, surgeon, stated that Mrs. Jackson was still unable to be present.—Prisoner was remanded until Tuesday, September 4th.

BOAT CAPSIZED AT FELIXSTOWE

THE OCCUPANTS SWIM FOR LIFE.

NARROW ESCAPES.

An exciting accident was witnessed during the race for beach sailing boats at Felixstowe Regatta on Monday. Insufficient ballast had been placed in the sailing boat Carrie, and on an attempt being made to gybe her she turned turtle. The occupants were Mr. A. Parnell, who was sailing her, Mr. T. Simpson, and Mr. A. Castle, but luckily all could swim. The nearest boat was about half a mile distant, but the attention of the old beachman in her having been attracted by shouts he proceeded to the rescue. The trio were little the worse for the ducking, although they had to remain fully a quarter of an hour in the water in their clothes.

SHOPPING WITH A DEAD BODY.

MOTHER INTOXICATED WHILE A CHILD DIES IN HER ARMS.

Johanna Horrigan, London, started to go shopping with her sister. In her arms she carried her two-months-old baby wrapped in two shawls. At half-past six her sister took the child and found it was dead. At the inquest the sister said all they had to drink was a glass of beer each. The Coroner was afraid they presented a very different appearance to the doctor. That, said the witness, was due to excitement. Dr. Jones, of 68, Leman Street, said the child was brought to his surgery at eight o'clock at night. It had been dead an hour. The cause was suffocation. In answer to the Coroner, the doctor said the women were the worse for drink—rather intoxicated. A lady took the child from them in the street and carried it to his surgery. Eventually the jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death."

A NORWICH AUCTIONEER IMPRISONED.

CONVICTED OF DEFRAUDING HIS PARTNER.

On Friday, at the Norwich Guildhall, Albert Edward Howlett, auctioneer, of Clarendon Road, was charged with embezzling the sums of £4, £5, and 8s., the money of the firm of A. E. Hewlett and Co., of which he was a partner, with intent to defraud.—Mr. Reeve, for the prosecution, said the charges he had intended to prefer against the prisoner were four of embezzlement and one of larceny, as Mr. King, the prisoner's partner, found that £190 had been appropriated. Mr. King was a poor man, and the money he had put into the business was all gone.—After hearing an eloquent appeal for mercy from the prisoner's solicitor, the Chairman said the Magistrates were all anxious to take into consideration everything that had been said in his favour, but they thought the smallest sentence they could pass was one of three months' hard labour.

"WHAT THEY DO IN AMERICA."

AN ESSEX BOY'S BRUTALITY.

A BABY ALMOST BITTEN TO DEATH.

EXTRAORDINARY EBULLITION OF TEMPER.

John Baxter Phillips, a lad of twelve, was charged at the West Ham Police Court on Saturday with causing bodily harm to his brother, Albert Baxter Phillips, aged two, by biting him about the face and body. The evidence showed that the prisoner, one of a family of three, five weeks ago came home from a grandmother's in America to his mother's house. Prisoner was left in charge of the baby. On Friday the mother went out to work at nine o'clock, and on returning at dinner-time she found the prisoner was not in the house. The baby was on the bed with

A BLANKET OVER ITS FACE,

and it was quite unconscious. It was bleeding from wounds on the nose and fingers, and there were also marks on its body. The mother at once decided to take it to a doctor's, and on the way spoke to Constable Blagdon. Dr. Grogons, on examining the baby, found it suffering from a great number of recent contusions, the result of bites. Search was made for the prisoner, and at about ten o'clock at night he was found by his mother in the Broadway, Stratford. She asked him how he came to bite the child, and he answered, "It provoked my temper, and I could not help it," and he also said he had

BEATEN IT WITH THE HAND-BRUSH

on the back of the head. On the way to the West Ham Police Station prisoner remarked, "My temper made me do it. If I had only had a knife I would have ripped it up, and showed them what they do in America."—Prisoner was committed for trial.

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A FAMILY POISONED

BY EATING FUNGI.

A family of seven persons in Angers have been poisoned through eating fungi picked up on the roadside near the city. Four have died, and the three others are in a critical condition, and not expected to recover.

SLOWLY ROASTED ALIVE.

A TRAMP'S HORRIBLE DEATH.

The dead body of a man, shockingly burned, has been found on a refuse cinder heap adjoining some iron works near Bilston. It is supposed that he had lain down on the heap for warmth, and, being overcome with the fumes, was slowly burnt to death.

FOUR MURDERS AND SUICIDE.

DRIVEN MAD BY EMBARRASSMENTS.

A terrible tragedy is reported from Rutherglen, a mining and agricultural township in Northern Victoria. A selector, driven to desperation through financial troubles, cut the throats of his three children, shot a neighbour dead, and finally cut his own throat.

A PARISIAN ATROCITY.

SHOCKING STORY.

At the Assizes of the Seine, Jules Huitric was sentenced to penal servitude for life for the murder of a young girl who kept a perfumery shop in Paris. The crime was of a particularly atrocious character. After strangling his victim the murderer cut her throat, and with the utmost coolness admitted his crime, but denied that it was premeditated.

WAS IT SPITE?

A PENNILESS HUSBAND HAS TO GO TO THE WORKHOUSE.

PROCEEDINGS FOR BIGAMY.

At Newry a woman named Mrs. M'Mullen was remanded charged with bigamy. Her husband came home after an absence of three years and found she had married a baker named Macanuff, by whom she had had two children. M'Mullen alleges that he wrote twice to his wife and received no reply. He came home penniless, and being refused admittance to his wife's house, was obliged to enter the workhouse.

GREAT STORM IN BELGIUM.

FARMHOUSES DESTROYED.

PHENOMENAL SHOWERS OF HAILSTONES.

A storm of extraordinary violence has passed over that portion of Belgium situated between Mons and the German frontier. The wind was almost of cyclone character, and swept across the country, destroying everything in its path along a well-defined track three kilometres in width. Several farms were struck by lightning and burned to the ground, whilst much damage was also done by the shower of enormous hailstones which accompanied the storm.

IPSWICH BOYS SENT TO PRISON.

HAS JUSTICE MISCARRIED?

On Monday, at the Ipswich Police Court, David Goodchild and Henry Goodchild, two youths, were summoned for damaging a pear tree at Cliff House on Thursday, August 23rd.—Mr. Currie stated that he saw two boys in his garden throwing stones at a pear tree. They ran away, but he caught the boy David.—Thomas Jennings, a boy living near Cliff House, swore positively to the identity of both defendants, and the gardener (Prior) proved that the damage was serious.—Mrs. Goodchild, mother of the lads, declared that the younger boy was at home "minding the baby" on Thursday afternoon.—Both boys were sent to prison for ten days.

SENSATIONAL SCENE IN A POLICE COURT.

OUTRAGE BY A PRISONER.

MAGISTRATES SHOT AT.

The Berlin newspapers announce that an outrage took place in the local law court at Essen, on the occasion of the delivery of sentence upon a miner named Lodz, who was charged with having insulted the officials of the Imperial Assurance Department at a recent Social Democratic meeting. On the prisoner being sentenced to 14 days' imprisonment he pulled out a revolver, and after firing at the Magistrates turned the weapon upon himself. Both shots missed their aim, however, and the prisoner was speedily disarmed and detained in custody. Meanwhile the Magistrates had fled from the court, the Public Prosecutor alone remaining in his place.

FOOD ANALYSES IN SUFFOLK.

"PEPPERING" AWAY MONEY.

A SENSIBLE SUGGESTION.

Reporting to the East Suffolk County Council on Tuesday under the provisions of the Food and Drugs Act, the public analyst, Mr. J. Napier, of Ipswich, stated that samples analysed during the past quarter gave an adulterated percentage of 16·2, while the average over England was 12·4. He drew attention to two samples of butter containing 10 and 12 per cent. foreign fat, which he believed were Hamburg butters sent into this country to compete and undersell English-made butter, and he understood that proceedings were not taken.—Mr. Cooke considered that more attention should be paid to the analysing of milk, cheese, and butter, instead of so much to pepper.—Mr. Fiske and Alderman Biddell thought the attention of the police should be directed to the cases of butter adulteration mentioned in the report; they failed to see the good of analysis if those guilty of adulteration were not proceeded against.—Eventually the last paragraph of the report was referred to the Standing Joint Committee.

FIGHT OVER A CORPSE.

A SOLICITOR BEQUEATHS MONEY TO A STRANGER.

HOUSE IN A STATE OF SIEGE.

During the last few days considerable excitement has been caused in the Holloway Road, and the intervention of the police had to be obtained on several occasions. It seems that on Friday a retired solicitor died at his house, close to the Upper Holloway Station on the Midland Railway, and all sorts of rumours were current as to the cause of the death, but it was undoubtedly due to natural causes. On Saturday afternoon the wife of the deceased arrived and obtained admission, but was informed that her husband had left his property to a woman with whom he had been staying. The wife then went to her solicitor and returned with a clerk from his office, who obtained an entrance to the premises, but was soon afterwards ejected by the woman and her friends. The clerk then went for assistance and returned with four stalwart men, and they forced an entry to the house, only to be again ejected, the woman's party by this time having been reinforced. The clerk, however, got into the house, where he still remains, he and his party holding possession of one part and the other party the remainder. This being a private matter, the police are powerless to do anything beyond preventing a breach of the peace. The funeral has not yet taken place. The property in question is believed to be considerable.

TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION IN SUFFOLK.

BUTTER AND CHEESEMAKING CLASSES A SUCCESS.

The East Suffolk County Council on Tuesday confirmed the joint scheme of their Sub-committee and a Sub-committee of the Ipswich Science and Art Committee for providing instruction in agricultural chemistry and the principles of agriculture at Ipswich. It was also resolved to apply to the Finance Committee to recommend the Council to make an order for the payment of £1,500 to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. D. T. Cowan, to meet the expenses of the Committee up to November 30th.—Mr. Cowan's report stated that very

SUCCESSFUL CLASSES FOR BUTTER-MAKING,

conducted by the Eastern Counties' Dairy Institute, had been held at eleven places, where the greater part of the pupils were farmers' daughters. Cheese-making classes for Stilton and other cheeses, conducted by Miss M. H. Wright, had been held at Brockford, Fressingfield, Debenham, and Yoxford. The course of veterinary lectures delivered by Mr. P. Cowan, M.R.C.V.S., at Ipswich and Saxmundham had given satisfaction alike to the farmers and the Sub-committee. The average attendance, 35, warranted the Committee in engaging to have the lectures repeated at Saxmundham. The shepherds' class completed its work with an examination held on the 7th July, at Bucklesham, and controlled by a Committee of flockmasters, viz., Mr. J. C. Dawson, Nacton; Mr. Joseph Smith, Hasketon; and Mr. Horace Wolton, Newbourne. At the close of the course of lectures 15 of the shepherds gave in their names for examination, of which number nine passed first-class, five second-class, and one failed.—In moving the adoption of the report, Alderman the Rev. J. F. A Hervey denied that the county had, as a county, spent a single farthing on technical instruction. The money came from the Exchequer for that particular purpose, and it was rather ungrateful of Mr. Pretyman to complain of the expenditure.—Mr. Fiske seconded.—Ald. Pretyman said the Council could use the money for any purpose they liked, although he would not deny that there was a recommendation that they should use it for technical instruction.—Ald. Phillips thought it would be a very good thing if the money was devoted to technical instruction in the making of roads and bridges.—The report was adopted.

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ATTEMPTED MURDER OF A BARMAID.

A JEALOUS LOVER'S CRIME.

On Tuesday morning, about eleven, James Farrell, barman at the Rising Sun, Blackwall, entered the bar in the refreshment department at the Ship Tavern, Greenwich, fired a revolver shot at Lizzie Thompson, the barmaid, slightly grazing her neck, and then ran out. In the afternoon he was taken into custody by Detective-sergeant Ebbage, at College Park, Lewisham. The girl has been taken home by her father, and the motive of the crime is said to be jealousy.

SAD DROWNING CASE.

BRAVE ATTEMPT AT RESCUE.

Whilst the chairman and directors of the Rhondda Bay Railway were making an inspection of the iron swing bridge over the river Neath, a rivetter named Surr fell into the river from a considerable height. Notwithstanding that there was a strong tide running, Mr. Yockney, of Westminster, chief engineer of the railway, and the bridge foreman named Russell, jumped in and swam for the drowning man. They dived several times, and did not cease their attempts at rescue until quite exhausted. Surr's body was recovered later. This is the first accident which has occurred during the construction of the bridge.

DIPHTHERIA AT WICKHAM MARKET.

THE RIVER A SOURCE OF DANGER.

At the meeting of the Wickham Market Sanitary Authority on Monday diphtheria was reported from Orford, Cretingham, Sudbourne and Wickham Market. A letter was read from Mrs. Meirtzhagen, of Saxmundham, complaining of the stench arising from the river, which which she said was a "constant and ever increasing source of danger."—The Inspector was directed to do all he could to abate the nuisance. He said that a "good rain" was necessary to clear out the river and wash away impurities.

THE COREAN WAR.

LATEST PARTICULARS.

Affairs in Corea seem to be dragging very slowly along. The Chinese have chartered nine vessels at least from the Chinese merchant fleet, and it was reported on good authority on 17th July that the Chinese were about to withdraw their troops from Corea. Later reports make out that troops are still being sent forward. A large force of infantry and cavalry has left by the land route for Corea, and it is said that further troops are being sent from Port Arthur. The Viceroy, Li Hung Chang, has given orders for the recruiting of 500,000 men from the provinces of Anhwei, Hunan, Hupeh, and Shenshi. Twelve million taels have (says Reuter) already been set aside for war expenses, and the celebration fund collected for the Empress's birthday is to be drawn upon in case of need to the extent of one-half, or about 15,000,000 taels.

TERRIBLE STORY OF DRINK.

NOT SOBER FOR TWO YEARS.

A terrible drink story was told at an inquest on Charles James, a stoker, living at 35, New Windsor Road, Victoria Park. The testimony of a witness named Sperrin was that he was very seldom sober. He always got up drunk; and he would sometimes get up at three o'clock and wait for the public-houses to open. For four years he had been drinking hard, and for the last two years she did not think he was sober one day. When he went to work at four o'clock last Friday morning he was drunk. In the evening he was brought home, having had a fit, and when he got upstairs he fell. He was seen by a doctor, who said he was suffering from "drunken fits." The next day he was removed to the infirmary. Dr. Gordon, medical superintendent, stated that he found deceased delirious and suffering from a compound dislocation of the ankle-joint and a fracture of one of the small bones. He died on Sunday from *delirium tremens* following the injury. A verdict of "Accidental death" was returned.

A HUMAN MONSTROSITY.

A LUNATIC SWALLOWS A POUND AND A HALF OF NAILS.

One of the medical officers of the County Asylum, Lancaster, contributes to a medical journal an account of an operation upon a lunatic from whose statements it was suspected that he had swallowed nails. Forceps passed into the stomach having failed to extract any foreign bodies, though they could be felt from outside, it was decided to attempt to relieve the man by operation. On incision the stomach was found to be occupied by a mass of rusty nails, many of them nearly three inches in length, and some very sharp, bent, and twisted. Their removal was very tedious, as many of them could only be extracted one at a time. A piece of matted hair, nearly two inches in length, was also found. In all, there were removed from the stomach 192 nails (the majority being 2½ inches in length, and many even longer), half a screw nail, a piece of brass wire, a carpet tack, several small pieces of stick, a button, and the mass of hair already mentioned. The whole weighed 1lb. 9½oz. Several pieces of wood were found in the patient's intestines, but no nails.

LIGHTING OF ALDEBURGH.

ALLEGED HIGH-HANDEDNESS OF THE GAS COMPANY.

SEWERAGE SCHEME WANTED.

At the qurterly meeting of the Aldeburgh Town Council, a letter from the Gas Company was regarded as totally upsetting the arrangement made by Alderman Flintham, as chairman of the Gas Company, and the Deputy-Mayor (Mr. S. W. Smyth) on behalf of the Council.—Mr. Flintham stated that if the further alterations mentioned in the Gas Company's letter (the withdrawal of the 16-candle power to be supplied to the public lamps) was not agreed to, the

TOWN WOULD BE IN DARKNESS.

—The Chairman considered that the Council should not be treated in what he regarded as a high-handed manner by the Gas Company, as they were well aware that, the town being full of visitors, something must be done.—Upon the motion of Alderman Hall, seconded by Councillor Collins, it was decided to provisionally light the town until the 8th of October.—The Council also resolved that a quarter's salary in lieu of notice (£3 15s.) should be given to Mr. Arthur J. Ward, the late surveyor and inspector of nuisances.—Another motion by Alderman Hall, requesting the Council to consider the expediency of providing a system of sewerage was defeated, and the matter stood over for further consideration.

EAST SUFFOLK ROADS.

WHAT THEY COST PER MILE.

The quarterly meeting of the East Suffolk County Council was held at Ipswich on Tuesday, Alderman Lord Henniker presiding. Present—Aldermen: Col. R. H. Lloyd-Anstruther, A. M. Bernard, Herman Biddell, R. L. Everett, Rev. J. F. A. Hervey, T. Lomax, W. P. T. Phillips, A. C. Pretyman, Lord Rendlesham, T. H. Tacon, Frank Garrett. Councillors: C. W. Biden, Laxfield; B. M. Bradbeer, Lowestoft; J. K. Brooke, Walpole; F. T. W. Burch, Earl Soham; R. B. Capps, Lowestoft; T. Carthew, Woodbridge; A. W. Cobbold, Alderton; J. E. Cooke, Copdock; H. W. Cullum, Eye; E. Cullen, Stoke Ashe; Rev. J. F. N. Ewen, Southwold; E. J. Fairbrother, Stradbroke; G. Fiske, Bramford; J. Flintham, Aldeburgh; Rev. T. L. French, Thrandeston; G. H. Garrett, Saxmundham; Sir W. Brampton Gurdon, K.C.M.G., Grundisburgh; A. Harwood, Holbrook; H. F. Harwood, Stowupland; S. T. Harwood, Needham Market; W. N. Waller, Martlesham; T. H. Borrett, Leiston; J. A. Hempson, Chelmondiston; Lieut.-Col. E. Kerrich, Carlton Colville; B. A. Posford, Kirton; T. W. Read, Framlingham; W. Short, Wetheringsett; W. Short, Yoxford; J. A. Smith, Claydon; Rev. G. F. Smith-Rewse, Ilketshall; Rev. C. J. Steward, Lound; R. H. Tidswell, Stonham; W. N. Whitmore, Wickham Market; J. H. Leggott, Combs.—Lord Rendlesham, in moving the adoption of the report of the Roads and Bridges Committee, remarked the cost of the main roads during the last two years had not increased, it being exactly £34 per mile. Of course there had been an increase in their mileage of main roads and contributions to parish roads.

CHURCH SCANDAL AT BURY ST. EDMUND'S.

EXTRAORDINARY SCENES.

CONGREGATION DISTURBED BY THE TOLLING OF A BELL.

A SMOKER FORCIBLY EJECTED.

The services, both morning and evening, at St. Peter's (Chapel of Ease), Bury, were on Sunday conducted under difficulties of a very unusual character, and it is probable the inconvenience and annoyance to which the members of the congregation were subjected will—as it deserves—be enquired into by those who are both legally and morally responsible for the management of the Church and the proper conduct of its weekly services. In whatever light the matter is viewed, the seriousness of the situation and the scandal which is likely to be the outcome of Sunday's proceedings can scarcely, with any degree of respect to the regular worshippers, be permitted to pass unnoticed, and every endeavour possible should be made to prevent any repetition of the unseemly and disgraceful annoyance which the congregations were unwillingly compelled to endure. It seems that the caretaker had gone on his holidays, and that he entrusted the keys of the church to a neighbour. This man neglected to open the church doors at eleven o'clock, and on a messenger being despatched he was told to wait, and that he would come by-and-bye. Access had to be gained to the church

THROUGH THE WINDOW.

When the service had somewhat advanced the man in possession of the keys arrived and commenced to toll the church bells very vigorously, and was only stopped by the application of force. In the evening the congregation were shocked by the odour of foul tobacco pervading the building, and on inquiries being instituted a man was found smoking a dirty clay pipe in the vestry. This man was also forcibly ejected. These episodes have created quite a sensation in Bury St. Edmund's.

TERRIBLE SEQUEL TO INCENDIARISM.

37 LIVES LOST.

The inquiry by a coroner and jury into the disaster at the Franklin Mine has resulted in a verdict that the fire was caused by an incendiary. The number of lives lost was 37.

COUNTY COUNCIL ELECTION IN WEST SUFFOLK.

At Bury St. Edmund's, on Tuesday, there was only one nomination to supply the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Frank Summers, who had represented the Abbeygate Ward of the borough on the West Suffolk County Council. Mr. Frank Henry Welmont Dight, of 25, Butter Market, was proposed, seconded, and assented to, and as there is no other candidate he is practically elected. He is a member of the Bury St. Edmund's Town Council.

ALLEGED POLLUTION BY THE G.E.R.

COMPLAINT FROM CHAPPEL.

On Wednesday at the Lexden and Winstree Rural Sanitary Authority Capt. Brett applied to the authority to call upon the G.E.R. to discontinue running the washing from Chappel Station into a stream which runs by a number of cottages which were dependent thereupon for their water supply. After considerable discussion a Committee was appointed to visit and inspect the spot.

MISSION WORK IN NORWICH DIOCESE.

VOTES OF THANKS UNNECESSARY.

The Bishop of Norwich has issued a circular to missionary secretaries with reference to the organisation and management of missionary meetings. The Bishop considers that there should not be too many speakers at these gatherings, that votes of thanks may be fairly dispensed with, and that, although an occasional joke is permissable, the grave and serious object at which missionary enterprise aims should always be kept in view. The Bishop thinks that a great deal of time is wasted over jocose and irrelevant matter.

HEALTH OF BECCLES.

PROPOSED INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL.

The quarterly meeting of Beccles Town Council was held on Monday, the Mayor (Councillor Watson) presiding. The Sub-Committee appointed to report on a suitable place for an infectious hospital reported on premises at Barsham, formerly used as an ink factory, but the subject passed without remark.—The report of the Medical Officer showed a death-rate of 13·8 per 1,000 during the June quarter, and 21·6 birth-rate, which is below the average for the last ten years.—The Finance Committee reported a balance of £1,337 14s. 6d. in hand, out of which bills amounting to £302 12s. 2d. were ordered to be paid.

SUFFOLK SOCIETY OF ESTATE AGENTS, AUCTIONEERS, AND VALUERS.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of this old-established Society, numbering all the leading members of its profession in Suffolk, with several practising in the adjacent counties of Essex, Norfolk and Cambridgeshire, was held at the Golden Lion Hotel, Ipswich, on Tuesday last, Mr. Robert Flick, of Saxmundham, presiding as president for the year. The usual matters in connection with the forthcoming valuations were discussed. Mr. G. Symonds, of Burgate Hall, Diss, was elected vice-president, Mr. Norton B. Garrard, of Eye, succeeding as president; Mr. Hugh Turner, of Ipswich, was re-elected hon. secretary. Mr. John Arnott, Woodbridge; Messrs. Gerard J. Barnes, Norwich; Godfrey A. Hempson, Ipswich; J. C. Miles, Great Yarmouth; and Thos. H. Standley, Wymondham, were elected members of the Society.

ANTI-VACCINATORS AT THETFORD.

PARENTS RE-SUMMONED.

THE GUARDIANS LOSE THEIR CASE.

On Monday, at the Thetford Petty Sessions, Ezra Bullett and J. R. Leavold were again summoned by the Board of Guardians for non-compliance with vaccination orders made on them on the 18th of June last, when they were fined 5s. each.—Mr. G. Cleverley, of Norwich, again represented the defendants and on their behalf pleaded not guilty as they had already paid a penalty for the same offence, and he contended it was illegal to punish a second time for one offence.—Mr. Read (Justices' clerk), said the Act provided for repetition of summones and fines for 12 months.—Mr. Cleverley admitted that they were liable to be prosecuted until the child was 14 years of age, but not upon an old order.—The Bench said as there appeared to be some doubt in the matter they would dismiss the case to give the Guardians an opportunity of taking out a fresh summons.—Mr. Cleverley then asked for costs, but the Bench declined to grant them.

POACHERS SURPRISED AT RUSHMERE.

AN EXTENSIVE HAUL.

AMUSING COLLOQUY IN THE EARLY HOURS.

The keepers guarding the game on the Brook Hall Estate, belonging to Mr. Wood, were surprised in the early hours of Sunday morning by the sudden appearance of three poachers. The head keeper (Delloway) with his men were on the watch about 2.30 in the morning in the vicinity of Purdis Farm, when they came across three men, one of whom proved to be William Wiggin, a dock labourer, of Ipswich, and an old hand at the game. He was heavily laden with the proceeds of the night's haul, and was unable to get away with his companions, who soon disappeared in the darkness. Police-constable Harry Double, of Nacton, who was patrolling the district at the time, heard the shouts of the keepers, and was immediately upon the scene, when he took charge of Wiggin, whom he conveyed to Woodbridge. Owing to the

POURING RAIN AND THE DARKNESS,

it was practically impossible for the keepers to pursue the other men. Between 40 and 50 rabbits were found in the possession of Wiggin, who was brought before a Magistrate at Woodbridge on Monday morning, and remanded till Wednesday, when the keeper (Matlir) said that the prisoner had canvas slippers on. Witness knew prisoner well, and when seizing him said, "Wot 'cher, Billy!" to which prisoner replied, "Hullo, matey." (Laughter.) In mitigation of punishment, it was pleaded that it was twelve years since defendant had been before that Bench; he had also 13 children, 10 of whom were under 12.—The Magistrates sentenced prisoner to three months' hard labour, and also ordered him to find sureties, himself in £10 and two others in £5 each, or one in £10, not to commit a similar offence for one year; failing such sureties to be imprisoned for a further six months with hard labour.

AN INHUMAN FATHER AT IPSWICH.

GROSS NEGLECT OF CHILDREN.

A DEN OF INFAMY AND DISEASE.

REPULSIVE DETAILS IN THE POLICE COURT

Henry Tye, of 40, Handford Cut, was charged before the Ipswich Justices, on Monday, with neglecting six of his children in such a manner as to cause them unnecessary suffering and injury.—Mr. E. P. Ridley prosecuted on behalf of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, and said that about the beginning of the year, Tye, his wife and family, were living in Waterloo Street. Inspector Luff, the local officer of the Society, visited the house, and found the children dirty, neglected, and verminous. Later defendant's wife took a fever and died. At the beginning of February the defendant moved to 40, Handford Cut. The Inspector frequently called and complained of the state of the children. They were not starved, but they were

SHOCKINGLY NEGLECTED

as regards the most simple and ordinary duties. Some few months afterwards the defendant's married sister came to keep house for him, and for a month the children were kept much better, but she was obliged to leave because she could not get enough money from the defendant to support them. The defendant was formerly employed by the Sanitary Inspector, and received a guinea a week. He gave up that work about three months ago, and had since been working on the quay. It appeared, however, that he had spent a good deal on drink. Evidence in support of the above statement was given by Margaret Warren, wife of George Lawson Warren, of 45, Handford Cut. Jas. Mills, school attendance officer, Sabina Laughlin, of St. George's Street, sister of the defendant, and Inspector Luff, who gave a detailed description of the condition in which they found the defendant's house. The little girl Eva was covered with vermin, and she was in a most filthy condition. The little boy Robert was in the same state. His

FLESH WAS BLACK WITH DIRT.

The third child, Albert, had on a shirt which was black all over. The other children, Harry and Eliza, were very dirty. The eldest girl, Rosa, had no under clothing. All the younger children were bare-footed, and he could find no change of clothing in the house. The witness then described how the rooms reeked with filth of the most objectionable kind.—Mr. C. K. Moseley, surgeon, said that two of the children were positively in pain from their dirty condition.—The Mayor said this was a very gross case. He would be sent to prison for two months' hard labour.—Inspector Luff said the children would be removed to the Union.

LOYAL TWIDDLERS' DINNER.

A NIGHT'S ROISTERING FUN IN SUFFOLK.

DEPLORABLE CONDITION OF A BROTHER.

CAN BEER AND SELF-HELP AGREE?

QUESTIONABLE SOCIABILITY.

MYSTERY OF THE MIDNIGHT CAB SOLVED.

BY A JOURNAL COMMISSIONER.]

Not long ago we were seized with an unconquerable desire to be present at a lodge dinner. Now we confess that at the time the lodge as an institution had our profound respect. We had not heard of the mysterious meetings, the blindfolding, the branding and the taking of the terrible oaths in darkened rooms at the back of obscure taverns, without feeling a due amount of awe, and the desire with which we were afflicted was not to be shaken off. The source of our longing was an individual who resides opposite to us in a house with an imitation walnut door with a yellow glass knob, two dead musk plants, and a plaster of Paris bust of Lord Byron behind the fanlight, and at this moment a tremendous bustle going on behind the curtain which shades the window of the sitting-room. He is a typical lodgeman, rejoicing in the name of Mr. Jehosaphat James Dibbs. We always knew that when there was anything stirring in the front sitting-room preparations were being made for a lodge night, for the apartment was rigorously closed except on those

RED-LETTER DAYS AND SUNDAYS.

Had we been in the sacred room ourself, instead of our own parlour, we most certainly should have known that the busy motion of Mrs. Jehosaphat James Dibbs's arms was the outcome of a laudable desire to annihilate every speck of dust that adhered to Mr. Jehosaphat James Dibbs' cherished black swallow tail and unmentionables, and that the desperate rushing backwards and forwards of the juvenile Dibbses was resulting in the accumulation of a miscellaneous collection of appendages to pa's dress, which on no account were permitted to be polluted by exposure but on lodge nights. Dibbs was a little, thin, fussy man, acknowledged by himself to be an orator, and by his friends to be a sociable soul with a tremendous appetite. We had often watched his departure in the venerable black suit on lodge nights, when Mrs. Dibbs and the little Dibbses would come to the door and gaze at his rapidly vanishing figure with an admiration born of the fact that he never lost an opportunity of impressing it upon them that he was the P.P.D.G.M. of Court —— of the Ancient Order of Twiddlers. We had often, we repeat, watched his departure on these auspicious occasions with vague longings to accompany him, and time after time had we sat up in bed at two and

THREE O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING LISTENING

for his return. There was something about his return which struck us as peculiarly mysterious. Sometimes there would be a horrible shuffling of feet, then a thud at the door, then more shuffling of feet, then a sound of persons retiring down the street laughing with a loudness that was only mellowed when they turned the corner by the third lamp. At other times the shuffling of feet was preceded by the noise from the wheels of a cab suddenly ceasing opposite, and we would asseverate on oath that on one occasion we heard the gruff voice of one we well knew to be a teetotal policeman express the conviction of its possessor "that lodge dinners was the cussedest thing out, and not fit for no gentleman." It was not to be wondered at that such exciting proceedings as these should awaken in us feelings of fierce longing to know what our friend had been engaged in doing. Had he been a railway director, or an alderman, or even a bachelor, there would have been no mystification about the cab business; but being a quiet, inoffensive and a married man, the mystery was all the more edifying. We were in this very unhappy state of uncertainty when quite unexpectedly there came an opportunity of satisfying our curiosity. One day we turned into a public-house, placed our hat under the chair, gave our order, and, seizing a paper, prepared to wait until it did please the nymph in waiting to satisfy our demand, when who should walk in and sit down right opposite us,

PLACE HIS HAT UNDER HIS CHAIR,

give his order, seize another newspaper, and prepare to wait until his orders were obeyed, but our *tête-a-tête* neighbour, Mr. Jehosaphat Dibbs? After sitting for fifteen minutes thus, apparently reading the paper, but in reality glancing over it, under it, and round it, for a glimpse of the delicacies we had requested to be served with; and after exactly fifteen times hurriedly crushed the paper under the table in the expectation that the nymph in waiting, who was coming our way with her arms full, was at last bound for us, and just the same number of times pulling it out again on seeing her turn off at a tangent in the direction of another customer—we say after these fifteen minutes had expired in fruitless longing, Mr. Jehosaphat James Dibbs threw down his paper, heaved a deep sigh, and cast an imploring look at the nymph. We knew what was passing in that mysterious mind, and we ventured to make an observation by way of sympathy.—"They are a long time in serving us two, Sir!" we said. "Yes," was all the reply we received. "There must be some bad management here somewhere," we further observed. "Wretched," responded Mr. Dibbs. "Perhaps the manager is on his holidays, or burying his uncle," we dexterously observed with a view to drawing our neighbour into

A SPECULATIVE CONVERSATION,

but—"Perhaps he is," was all the answer we received. A happy thought struck us. We tried a new tack. Allowing a few seconds to pass, we sighed, drew our chair to the table as if we were meditating an attack on the cruet stand and water jug, and drawing in a deep breath, composed it in the ejection into the sentence—"Ah! it is not so everywhere, happily." Immediately Mr. Jehosaphat James Dibbs pricked up his ears and looked at us as if to ask how did we know whether it was or was not; then receiving no masonic sign from us, he said—"You may well say that, Sir. It is not so everywhere. It is not so at the 'Piebald Indian,' when the Ancient Order of Loyal Twiddlers meet to honour the great cause of universal sociability and promiscous friendship. Why, my dear Sir, on those elevating occasions—" Here Mr. Dibbs's eyes shone like brass buttons, and he showed signs of developing excitement, which manifested itself in his planting one

FOOT ON THE CROWN OF HIS HAT

under the chair, and becoming very red in the face—"Why, Sir," he continued, reaching down for his hat, and pushing out the crown of it with a crash, "on those elevating occasions I've seen 19 courses, including ongtrees served up in exactly three seconds under the five and thirty minutes. What do you think of that, Sir?" Mr. Dibbs looked very hard at us to see what we thought of it, but greatly worked upon by a story which let such a light upon the gastronomic capabilities of the members of the Ancient Order of Loyal Twiddlers, we could do nothing but raise our eyebrows and look as if we should like to hug the landlord of the "Piebald Indian," and mutter "Marvellous."—"Marvellous! I should think it was marvellous, Sir," returned Mr. Dibbs, with not a trace of his former reticence now left; "I should think it was marvellous, Sir. Why, I've seen that same landlord, Sir, take up fifteen dishes of vegetables at a time, an' balance 'em like a hacrobat, Sir, an' all the time receiving orders and serving out knives and forks like anything, Sir. If the truth must be told, Sir, they don't know how it's done here." Muttering that, in the face of such astounding evidence, it was clear they did not, we ordered two bottles of stout, and, under the influence of the contents of one of these, Mr. Jehosaphat Dibbs launched out into a lengthy history of the Ancient Order of Loyal Twiddlers and its methodical system of operations, and wound up by inviting us to

ACCOMPANY HIM AT THE NEXT LODGE DINNER.

The invitation was accepted, and three weeks later found us at the "Piebald Indian," under the patronising guidance of little Dibbs, who was attired faultlessly in the black swallow-tails and unmentionables, and wore his most dignified expression. The room was of the lodge—lodgy. Down one side ran a table fixed on trestles, and set out for dinner. On the walls were contrivances like bookcases without the glass, inscribed with the name "Court —— of the Ancient Order of Loyal Twiddlers," and arranged over the mantelpiece were a number of articles which looked like extinct weapons of war and magic wands, but which really were the "property" of the Lodge as used on great occasions when the outside public was to be duly reminded of the marvellous importance of the Loyal Twiddlers. Coming in a continuous stream through the doorway and rapidly filling the room were fat lodgemen and thin lodgemen, lodgemen straight and lodgemen crooked, but all agreeing in these two particulars, that they smiled alarmingly, and didn't know where to put their hands—whether in their trousers or waistcoat pockets, behind their backs or straight down the sides, like articles for which there was no earthly use whatever but that of producing extreme awkwardness. Dibbs introduced us to a good many of them, and the strangeness which at first afflicted us soon wore off under the benign conviviality of the brethren. We will spare the reader an account of

WHAT TOOK PLACE AT THE DINNER

proper, merely staying to observe that although we saw no such spirited feats on the part of the host as we had been led to expect, that individual being much too stout and unctuous to do anything in a hurry and requiring the barest attempt at agility, yet we had our eyes open to the fact that, except a sausage machine, there is nothing that will accommodate a more varied assortment of edibles and in larger quantities than a lodgeman's stomach. There was a sort of rivalry as to who could hold out the longest, and the contest might have lasted goodness knows how long had not Dibbs, who sat at the head of the table in the capacity of chairman, wearing a huge green scarf round his neck and over his waistcoat, given three pompous raps on the table with the haft of a fork, which three taps were echoed by another brother at the other end, who acted as vice-chairman, and had he not slowly risen and said, "Gentlemen, fill up, if you please." To us, who were under the impression that the brethren had been spontaneously and industriously doing the same thing for the last hour or so, there seemed a kind of sarcasm and utter want of propriety in the request; but we were speedily relieved when we saw a

COUPLE OF HUGE WHITE JUGS

commence the tour of the table, and leave in their train a string of grog glasses full to overflowing, and when we saw the landlord, who, after a mysterious whispering with Dibbs, had suddenly disappeared, equally suddenly reappear with a series of "Irishes," "two penn'orths," and other "warm-ups," on a tray. We knew what was coming then. It was a toast—"The Queen." If her Majesty could have seen the depth of feeling which was put into the drinking of the toast, her estimation of Court —— of the Ancient Order of Loyal Twiddlers must have increased tenfold, to say nothing of her estimation of their capacity for storing liquors. The brethren having lighted their pipes and again unhesitatingly yielded to the request to "fill up," the Chairman proposed another toast, "The Army, Navy and Volunteers," having first given the three necessary taps with the fork haft, and duly frowned majestically at the vice-chairman, who, being engaged in a long microscopical examination of the recesses of a quart jug, had neglected to repeat them. A brother who was a member of the local corps of Volunteers, in the capacity of a bandsman, responded to the toast with the same speech with which he had responded to the same toast for the previous fourteen and a half years, and in which he never failed to remind his hearers that his father's great grandfather had a relative—particular relative unknown, but believed to be a grandchild—who served in the regular army, and was

DISABLED WITH A BLUNDERBUSS

in a riot with some pastry cooks' apprentices, who wanted an Act passed to fix the amount for compensation which should be paid to them for discarding tobacco chewing when at work. The recital never failed to draw forth vociferous applause. There was now a change: Bro. Flippins was requested to give a song, and he acceded. Bro. Flippins was a young man—three or four and twenty—with a gorgeous flower in his coat, and evidently but a newly-fledged member, therefore somewhat nervous, but not too nervous to overlook the necessary preparation of taking a copious draught of grog before commencing to sing. His voice was of a somewhat doubtful quality, and was shaky withal, but the latter feature rather added to the effect than otherwise, inasmuch as the words of the song had a melancholy tendency, having reference to some lovesick swain who "drownded" himself in his father's water butt to prove his constancy to a girl who had gone for to break his 'a-a-art. A more attentive audience there could hardly have been, and when the brother seated himself and soothed his agitated nerves and shattered feelings with at least a pint and a half of "fourpenny" which an admiring and thoughtful colleague pushed towards him, the tables vibrated beneath the onslaught of glasses, jugs, and clenched fists. By way of acknowledgment Brother Flippins finished the remainder of the "fourpenny" and smiled hugely. The ball was now fairly agoing and another song was called for. This time it was Brother Corkup who was called upon. Mr. Corkup was

TAKEN RATHER UNAWARES.

He sat with a contented expression on his fat and warm-looking countenance, alternately chewing and blinking at a sparkling concoction of spirits in a glass, of which he seemed to have a decided objection to let go, but rather on the contrary grasped with greater fixity of purpose. Quickly forcing the tobacco into a comfortable recess between his top gums and upper lips, and expectorating with a great deal of science, he jerked himself on to his feet, and having assured the brethren that he never expected to be called upon to sing, forthwith pulled out of his pocket some dozen or two songs torn out of the "Universal Song Book." He made a selection, wiped his mouth with a dirty red handkerchief, and having rolled the music into the smallest possible compass in order to show how necessary it was to the occasion, fixed his eyes on an orange-coloured rose-leaf in the wall pattern, gave two or three short coughs, and launched out into a slow nasal rendering of a song with about three notes and a growl in every second bar, and all about an individual who had a large "for-cheune" left him, but never could get any lady to share it with him, because he insisted on keeping it all to himself. Whether the brethren applauded the magnanimity of this individual or the vocal attainments of Brother Corkup is not known, but it is certain that no song was ever more vociferously cheered than this one, a fact, however, which appeared to affect the worthy singer but little as he had already released the "quid" and was industriously turning it over and over, and had renewed his grasp of the glass and

LAPSED INTO CONTEMPLATIVENESS.

By this time many of the company had begun to look rather seedy, to wear perpetual smiles on their countenances, and to manifest a strong desire to shake hands with everybody in the room, whilst one individual had retired into a corner, where he was fast asleep with his features extended in a benevolent smile, and his legs extended impartially along the ground. Strange to say, no one seemed to heed him, not even the Chairman, who was moving uneasily in his seat, a sure indication that he wished to make a speech. Presently he rose slowly, and the room fairly shook with the stamping and cheering of the company. Quiet being restored, Dibbs coughed, fidgetted nervously with his fingers, coughed again, and then broke out into a speech supposed to have relation to the welfare of Court ——, of the Ancient Order of Loyal Twiddlers. True he got a little mixed now and then, and had to be prompted, but he landed safely in the end. However, here are his words *verbatim*, and the reader may judge of Dibbs's then condition and ability at one and the same time. Said Dibbs: "It is a great desire and a great pleasure in proposin' the toast, which is a beneficial to the members here, and hopin' as the Lodge will do their utmost that the good of the Lodge, that—that in twelve months' time we may prosper greater to what we have done on the present occasion. I hope that the members we have increased this last twelve months may become double in the next twelve months, and our finances may come as much in proportion to what they have come previously. (Applause.) I can remember the time when the lodge was one that looked very cloudy, but I can speak with former that it is in a very prosperous condition — (renewed applause and knocking with glasses)—and I hope and trust it will prosper in the days to come, as it has done in the future —(Prompter: "Past")—I mean past. And now I propose the prosperity of Court —— of the Ancient Order of Loyal Twiddlers, and ask you one and all to drink the health of the Court, and good feelin' to it. I have great desire—(Prompter: "Great pleasure")—great pleasure in proposing—(Prompter: "In calling upon") —well, callin' upon Bro. Noggins to favour us with a song."

SUCH WAS DIBBS'S SPEECH,

and as such it was counted a great mental effort and wonderful flight of oratory. This speech ended, all eyes turned upon Noggins—a man with a face in colour something between mottled soap and a roasted onion, and in shape neither rectangular nor triangular, but slightly partaking of both. Noggins, however, flatly refused to get on his legs, and honestly admitted that he "couldn't shpeak mush more shing." But the company would hear of no refusal, and so poor Noggins was fairly lifted on to his feet, and was prevented seating himself again by the removal of his chair. After many remonstrances and hiccoughs he put himself into a tolerably good position, being propped in front by a table, and behind by a kindhearted brother, and with a jug in one hand and a "churchwarden" in the other he poured out his soul in a composition which would have been very enjoyable had it not been so profusely punctuated with hiccoughs, and had Noggins not had to finish the two last verses under the table, where he finally went to sleep, still firmly grasping the pipe and jug, which he had thoughtfully carried with him. To show their appreciation of the effort, the company, now thoroughly jolly, roared out the accompaniment:—

"It's a very good song, and very well sung,
They're jolly companions every one;
Him 'at can mend it is welcome to try,
But do not forget that the singer is dry,"

and followed this up by shouting in unison "Sup," and forthwith "supping," doubtless to show with better effect how really dry the singer was. More toasts followed, each being "duly honoured," and the gravity of Dibbs's countenance was seen to

RELAX DISTINCTLY UNDER THE POTENT INFLUENCE

of repeated moistenings. By-and-bye, Bro. Sumup rose to propose "Success to Court —— of the Ancient Order of Loyal Twiddlers," and, as was his custom, being a small dealer, and therefore a financier, plunged into figures. At first all went well, and divers nodding heads indicated that he was understood, but presently he got considerably mixed, and, after making desperate efforts to rescue himself, finally got into quite a hopeless muddle, and eventually sat down, conscious that if things needed explanation before they did so then in a tenfold degree. This notwithstanding, the brethren cheered him to the echo, and to show that they bore him no ill-feeling drank his health several times over, and to make their satisfaction with his explanations still clearer finally awarded him a toast all to himself. In response to this he contributed a song, and this resulting as in all other cases in his being very dry, the brethren were under the necessity of "supping" by way of sympathy, and so a thorough and quite satisfactory understanding was come to. Three raps from the Chairman, three ditto from the Vice-chairman, and the announcement was made that Bro. Fogg was to be

PRESENTED WITH AN EMBLEM

of the court for having secured most new members during the year. Bro. Fogg looked as if his intellect was as foggy as his name, and looked as though nothing short of fire and brimstone would induce him to trouble about anything in the world, least of all seeking new members; but he accepted the emblem as if he deserved it, and when the company showed their high estimation of him by singing "For he's a jolly good fellow," his voice was heard above all the others rasping out the chorus. There was no difficulty now in getting the brethren to sing. Various young men who at first could not be induced to "stand on their hind legs and open their gills" as the Vice-chairman pointedly put it, could now only be kept on their seats with great difficulty. One did eventually "catch the speaker's eye," and rose to sing. His voice was not exactly suited to any particular key, and had an annoying habit of cracking at critical points. He pitched his song about an octave and a half too high, consequently that cracking property was extensively illustrated; but try as he would he could not pitch it any lower, and so

UNDER THE PRESSURE OF ADVICE

he abandoned the song altogether, and in desperation tried another—"The Diver"—in which he got so low that the brethren felt themselves distinctly sinking. So strong, indeed, was the delusion that many of them instinctively grasped at the first handy thing for safety, which handy thing, need it be explained, was in every case, without exception, a grog glass. Bro Woskins was hardly more successful with his song. From some cause or another he had forgotten the music of the last two of the four lines, and found himself repeating the first two over and over again, with the result that he exhausted all the words, and still found himself two words short at the end. He looked a trifle bewildered, and seemed to have a vague notion that something was wrong all the way through, but he persevered heroically, and in answer to some queries by a friend at the end, he was heard to say that what he hadn't sung he left "on t' book." Unfortunately this could not be verified, as he had not the book with him. Need we prosecute this account further? Have we not explained enough to show that the lodge dinner is a grand national institution? Let it suffice, in conclusion, to state that that night we learned all about the mystery of the cab business, and next day were informed that an individual named Noggins had been found asleep under a table at the "Piebald Indian" with a ticket pinned to his waistcoat bearing his name and address, and setting forth that he, being a perishable article, was to be "kept dry" in future.

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MUSIC AND DRAMA.

SUFFOLK SUCCESSES.

DEATH OF A SUFFOLK ACTOR.

MORE ABOUT DRAMATIC CRITICISM.

KISSING ON THE STAGE.

At the recent examinations in connection with Trinity College, London, Miss Noad and Miss Trissie Smith, pupils of Miss Kerridge, at Beccles, passed in honours, and Miss E. Hindes passed in junior division in pianoforte playing.

The following candidates of the local school examinations, held at Miss Weeding's, Burleigh House School, London Road, last month, were successful:—Gertrude Newson, piano, higher division; Edith Mary Collen, piano, higher division; Victoria Cook, piano, higher division; Elizabeth Mills, piano, higher division.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. George Barrett, who will long be remembered as a very popular low comedy actor. One of his most successful impersonations was that of Old Jaikes in "The Silver King." His old men were always realistic, and one recalls with pleasure his "first gravedigger" in Hamlet and the Old Showman in the "Lights of London." Mr. Barrett was still in harness, being under an engagement to appear in a provincial "Gaiety Girl" company; and his sudden death at the early age of 45 will be widely regretted. Mr. Barrett was born at Clare, Suffolk.

It has happened twice recently that an unknown actress has received flattering notice in a certain newspaper, and it has happened that each lady has promptly announced her attention of adding to her repertory a play by the critic of the paper in question. This, no doubt, is pure coincidence. But the coincidence leads once more to the question, "Is it right that any man should simultaneously carry on the trade of a theatrical critic and that of a vendor of plays?" Without any particular importunity on the part of the critic, actors and managers most certainly encourage the belief that it does them no harm to purchase critics' plays.

Six weeks arbitrarily limit the season of comic opera at the Lyceum. Towards the end of October, "The Queen of Brilliants" will bid us adieu, and will make her way across the Atlantic. It has been hastily assumed that the company engaged in the London production will go out to America all compact; but this is not the case. Several of the English artists have not been disposed to listen to offers for America. Mr. F. Storey has been added to the company. Mr. Storey makes no secret of his desire to cultivate the art of the comic actor. There is not much distinction in being a "leg-maniac" nowadays, although a leg-maniac of Mr. Storey's distinction would have been a celebrity indeed five-and-twenty years ago.

Not to discuss with the Rev. Newman Hall the question of the morality or the immorality of the theatrical profession, one may point out to this gentleman that he is curiously astray in citing the constant "kissing" to be seen on the stage as evidence of the sinfulness of its professors. There are, conceivably, circumstances in which kissing is a pleasant pastime; but if ever the Rev. Newman Hall had seen an actor "made up" for the stage he would surely agree that nothing could be less appetising to a girl than the filthy mess of grease and pigments that now adorns the haughty gallant, Gay Lothario. The fierce glare of the footlights needs this treatment even for the most wonderful complexion.

We have been favoured with an advance proof of the Autumn engagements at the Ipswich Lyceum as follows:—September 10th, The Ben Greet Comedy Company (six nights), "Sowing the Wind," and Old Comedies; September 17th, The Beatrice Company (six nights), Frank Harvey's Plays; October 1st, Mr. Oscar Wilde's Comedy (six nights), "A Woman of No Importance"; October 22nd, Mr. W. Edouin's Comedy Company (six nights), "Niobe"; October 29th, The Gaiety Burlesque (six nights), "In Town"; November 5th, the present Haymarket Success (six nights), "A Bunch of Violets"; November 12th, the late Haymarket Success (three nights), "The Charlatan"; November 15th, Mr. C. W. Gathorne and Company (three nights), "The Queen's Shilling"; November 19th, Miss Cissy Graham's Company (six nights), "A Pantomime Rehearsal"; November 26th, Mr. Henry Dundas's Company (six nights), the Dury Lane Drama, "Pleasure"; December 3rd, the present St. James's success (six nights), "The Masqueraders"; December 13th, the Ipswich Amateur Opera Company (three nights), "Iolanthe."

It will be seen that old and favourite companies as well as special companies out with new pieces are included in an excellent list. "Sowing the Wind," with which the season opens, "A Charlatan," "A Bunch of Violets," "A Woman of No Importance," "In Town," and "The Masqueraders," are all either recent or present successes in London and all new to Ipswich playgoers. If the "Iolanthe," to be given by the Ipswich Amateur Opera Company, is only as well done as the "Pirates" last year, it will make a brilliant finish to what promises to be a most interesting season. The Directors propose making a special feature of Saturday *matinées*, in response to requests from residents in the country and adjacent towns.

Mr. Forbes Robertson and Miss Kate Rorke have taken the Grand, Islington, as the first step in a short tour which they have for some time been contemplating, and which holds, in effect, the place in the autumn theatrical campaign usually occupied by the tour of the Garrick company. Themselves at hand to play their original rôles in Mr. Pinero's work, they have secured Mr. E. W. Gardiner, Mr. Ian Robertson, Miss Dolores Drummond, and Miss May Harvey for the parts formerly created by Mr. Waller, Mr. Hare, Mrs. Gaston Murray, and Miss Olga Nethersole respectively. Mr. Thalberg replaces Mr. Sidney Brough, and Miss May Whitty follows Miss B. Lamb. The general result is excellent. The intelligence and experience of Messrs. Gardiner and Ian Robertson, the humour of Miss Drummond, the pathos of Miss Harvey—all are successfully utilised; and the aid given by Mr. Thalberg and Mr. Rock, Miss Whitty and Miss Caldwell, is thoroughly to the purpose. The house, the *Globe* says, on Monday was as crowded as it was enthusiastic; the reception accorded to Mr. Forbes Robertson and Miss Rorke being especially hearty.

The Directors of the Ipswich Lyceum are negotiating for a visit from Mr. Forbes Robertson and Miss Rorke for the week beginning October 15th.

Mr. Henry Irving and Miss Ellen Terry were staying at Folkestone last week, and on Wednesday saw the Ben Greet Company, including Mr. Henry B. Irving, in "Sowing the Wind," and on Thursday the company in "Diplomacy." Mr. Irving on rising between the acts to go behind to congratulate the company on the performance on Wednesday, was recognised by the audience and heartily cheered.

FELIXSTOWE ATHLETIC FESTIVAL.

SPLENDID RACING.

The Felixstowe Cycling and Athletic Association held its second annual festival on Wednesday, on the Park grounds, situate on the Cliffs. Extensive arrangements were made for the sports. An interesting programme afforded excellent racing, notably in the flat handicaps. The officials carrying out the sports were:—Judges, Major Murray, R.A., Dr. Havell, Col. Woolnough, and Messrs. J. Crowie, S. Downing, Geo. Carr, W. Sutton, R. Hyem, R. Tweedie-Smith, and W. O. S. Pell. Referees: Messrs. Frank Prentice and A. J. Haward. Timekeeper, Mr. C. H. E. Croydon. Handicappers, Mr. C. G. Wood, A.A.A., and Mr. S. T. Brown, N.C.U. The duties of hon. sec. were admirably discharged by Mr. E. H. Hopson. Music was provided by the band of the E. Company 1st Volunteer Battalion Suffolk Regiment, under Bandmaster F. W. Hopson.

HOW THE RACES ENDED.

120 yards flat handicap (local).—1, J. M. Wade, Felixstowe; 2, W. G. Archer, jun., Felixstowe; 3, A. Reynolds, Walton. Time, 13 1-5th secs. 880 yards flat handicap (open).—1, W. H. Cocks, Widcombe, 65 yards; 2, E. Jones, 18; 3, G. Nunn, Tunbridge. Time, 2 min. 2-5th secs. One mile bicycle handicap (local).—1, F. W. R. Golding, 80 yards; 2, W. B. Cooper, 30; 3, W. Durrant, Felixstowe, scratch. Time, 3 min. 6 4-5th secs. 120 yards flat handicap (open).—First heat: 1, S. R. Huson, scratch; 2, T. Livermore, Weston Colville, 7 yards. Second heat: 1, F. L. Creasy, Norwich, 11½ yards; 2, A. Mansell, Colchester, 9. Third heat: 1, H. J. Beatton, 2½ yards; C. R. Purser, Ipswich, 10. Final: 1, Creasy; 2, Purser; 3, Mansell. Time, 11 2-5ths secs. One mile bicycle handicap (open).—First heat: 1, W. Day, Ipswich, 145 yards; 2, R. C. Knights, West Essex, scratch. Second heat: 1, F. Read, Framlingham, 150 yards; 2, H. O. Hall, Ipswich, 35. Third heat: 1, A. F. Garnham, Ipswich, 120 yards; 2, G. A. Dunball, Walthamstowe, 50. Final: 1, Day; 2, Knights; 3, Read. Time, 2 min. 42 2-5ths secs. 220 yards flat handicap, for boys under 16 years of age (open to residents and visitors only).—1, J. Peck, 3 yards; 2, P. K. Metcalfe, St Leonard's Hill House School, 24; 3, T. D. Morson, 9; 4, A. R. Doughty, Ipswich, 4. 300 yards flat handicap (open).—1, H. J. Beatton, 10 yards; 2, A. Mansell, Colchester 15; 3, G. Nunn, 20. Time, 33 secs. 120 yards flat handicap (boys under 12).—1. J. G. Moore, 6 yards; 2, T. S. Thompson, 3½; 3, N. Dodd, 3; 4, T. S. Barclay, scratch. Two miles bicycle handicap (open).—First heat: 1, W. Day, Ipswich, 270 yards; 2, H. W. Farmer, Colchester, 130. Second heat: 1, F. Read, Framlingham, 280 yards; 2, F. R. Robinson, Diss, 180. Third heat: 1, P. A. Dunball, Walthamstow, 85 yards; 2, A. F. Garnham, Ipswich, 240. Final: 1 Day, 2 Read, 3 Dunball. Time, 6 min. 17 1-5ths secs. 440 yards flat handicap (local).—1, J. M. Wade, Felixstowe, scratch; 2, W. G. Archer, jun., Felixstowe, 16 yards; 3, A. Reynolds, Walton, 24. Time, 52 secs. One mile flat handicap (open).—1, C. Pearce (four mile champion), 80 yards; 2, A. Stephens, Great Yarmouth, 170; 3, H. Watkins, Walthamstow (southern cross-country champion), 70. Time, 4 mins. 21 1-5th secs. 440 yards flat race, scratch (open).—1, S. R. Huson; 2, A. R. McCullagh; 3, A. Mansell. Time, 52 3-5th secs. Invitation two miles scratch race.—1, F. E. Bacon, mile champion of England and holder of the mile grass record; 2, H. Watkins, Southern cross-country champion; 3, C. Pearce, four mile champion of England. Time, 9 mins. 35 4-5th secs. The prizes were distributed by Mrs. Mure Fergusson.

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NATURE AND SCIENCE.

A ROMANCE OF THE PLANETS.

FORTHCOMING VISIT OF MR. MUYBRIDGE TO IPSWICH.

REMARKABLE EFFECTS OF COLD BURNS.

PROPOSED DAMMING THE IRISH SEA

John Jacob Astor has eclipsed Jules Verne. His "Journey in Other Worlds" is more daring, more imaginative, and more resourceful than anything yet attempted by the French scientific romancer. One important quality, however, Mr. Astor lacks. He fails to convince. The American's romance is based on the science of the year 2,000, an unknown quantity that the chartered brain can play fantastic tricks with. In an age when the wildest dream seems realisable it would be cruel to turn sceptically away from a gentleman who undertakes to pioneer us safely through vast interplanetary spaces and introduce us to the preposterous and monstrous inhabitants of Jupiter and Saturn. I have no desire to treat him scornfully. Jules Verne has familiarised me with his kind and has taught me courtesy.

When Mr. Astor gravely sketches the plans and prospects of the colossal syndicate for straightening the axis of the earth, thereby to abolish the irritating changes of our climate, we listen eagerly. "The way to accomplish this is to increase the weight of the pole leaving the sun by increasing the amount of material there for the sun to attract, and to lighten the pole approaching or turning towards the sun, by removing some heavy substance from it and putting it preferably at the opposite pole. This shifting of ballast is most easily accomplished, as you will readily perceive, by confining and removing water, which is easily moved, and has considerable weight."

A simple plan, but stupendous. The Arctic ocean is to be pumped dry in summer and its average depth increased a hundred feet in winter; the rest of the business is to be left to the sun, which will gradually pull the earth into an upright and respectable position, and an eternal summer will be ours. Ingenious devices for utilising the earth's energy make the rectification of its axis an easy matter. Pipes are sunk, and an immense volume of water let down into the natural subterranean furnaces, thus generating an inexhaustible supply of steam power fit for any earth-moving task.

We have much pleasure in stating that Mr. Muybridge will, in all probability, visit Ipswich again early in December. Those who heard him in his illustrated lecture on "movements of animals" in 1890, will look forward to this second visit with delightful anticipation.

M. Pictet, of Lausanne, in his experiments on liquefying gases, has suffered from cold-burns, and recently gave an account of these to the Société Helvetique des Sciences Naturelles at Lausanne. In one kind of burn the skin is reddened and turns blue next day, the area of the spot increasing, and the cure not completing for five or six weeks. A painful itching attends this class of burn. In a more serious kind of burn, due to greater cold or longer contact with the cold body, the skin is detached, and the parts reached by the cold behave like foreign substances. Suppurations sets in, the sore is malignant, and a scar is produced.

M. Pictet accidentally scorched his hand with fire at the same time as he burnt it with liquid air, and while the ordinary burn healed in ten or twelve days, the other was bad for six months. To try the effect of losing heat by simple radiation in cold air, M. Pictet plunged his bare arm into refrigerated air at a temperature of 105 deg. C. below zero, without touching the walls of the vessel. All over his skin he felt a disagreeable and indescribable sensation growing more painful, and having its seat in the central bone or the periosteum. After three or four minutes the skin was blue, and the pain became more intense and deeper-seated. On withdrawing his arm at the end of ten minutes a strong reaction was experienced, accompanied by superficial inflammation o the skin. This reaction is an intensified form of that experienced after handling snow for some time.

A French scientific journal, in drawing attention to the scheme for damming the Irish Sea by a great "barrage" between the Mull of Cantyre and Antrim, where the depth is only some 300 to 500 feet, in order to get unlimited water power from the tides for utilisation by electricity after the manner of Niagara, asks how the climate of the neighbouring countries, especially of the North of Scotland, would be affected by it? The Gulf Stream, to which we owe the mild weather of the west coasts, would be stopped by such a dam in the Irish Sea, though not on the West Coast of Ireland. It is estimated that a dam of the kind could be built in three or four years.

AN OCTOGENARIAN'S VIOLENT DEATH.

SAD CLOSE OF A LONG LIFE.

As John Doubledie, of 45, Fullerton Road, Wandsworth, had reached the ripe old age of 80, one would have thought that he would have died a natural death. But while looking out of his bedroom window he fell and broke three of his ribs. He died, and at the inquest the jury said the affair was an accident.

THETFORD BURIAL BOARD.

THE CONSECRATION QUESTION AGAIN.

ANIMATED DEBATE.

The Thetford Burial Board held a special meeting on Friday evening to consider replies received to a letter sent to the Bishop of the Diocese on the question of consecrating a portion of the addition to the Cemetery. The Clerk read letters he had received from Dr. Bensley, the Diocesan Registrar, in which he stated that the Bishop proposed to consecrate the new ground on October 9th, providing the necessary papers were ready before that time, and asking for the loan of the conveyance deed, and to be furnished with a plan of the ground. A further letter showed that the

CONSECRATION FEES WOULD AMOUNT TO £10 10s.,

and travelling expenses. Another letter stated that it had been decided to reduce the fees to £3 18s. 6d. Mr. S. Oldman, jun., proposed that the Board decline to proceed further with reference to consecration till the ground was in a fit state.—Mr. W. G. Peck seconded.—Mr. Winder demurred to the resolution, and gave it as his opinion that the Bishop had power to say whether the ground was fit and proper for the ceremony or not.—An amendment was submitted by Mr. Hildyard, that the ground be consecrated, and copies of the papers and documents asked for be sent to the Registrar.—Mr. Bond seconded.—Mr. Peck asked who was going to pay all these expenses.—The Chairman, in reply, said it would be grossly unfair to the Nonconformists to have to share in paying for acts which were

DIRECTLY OPPOSED TO THEIR CONVICTIONS.

—Mr. Winder said of course the Board would have to pay, and he pointed out that the Church party already paid four-sixths of the rates in the borough. Eventually the resolution was carried by the casting vote of the Chairman, and the Clerk was instructed to reply to the Bishop by sending him copies of the resolutions and amendments.

SUCCESSFUL REGATTA AT ALDEBURGH.

G.E.R. ENTERPRISE REWARDED.

Nearly fifteen hundred passengers took advantage of the cheap trains run by the Great Eastern Railway Company to Aldeburgh on Monday. For the Regatta a long and varied programme was provided. The Aldeburgh Jubilee Town Band, conducted by Mr. John Chapman, discoursed popular music on the beach, the "Socials" London band played at the pier head, and those who preferred land to water amusements found an opportunity of gratifying their tastes at a fair held to the south of the town. The president of the Committee was Mr. J. E. Roberts, who has taken great practical interest in the enterprise. The chairman and general director was Lieut.-Colonel Sam. Smyth, always cheery and enthusiastic over affairs of this kind, and he was supported by Mr. W. Hearn as umpire, and Mr. Roy Smyth as flag master, together with a Working Committee comprising Messrs. J. Cable, W. H. Hall, J. Flintham, W. Pallant, J. Haken, W. Ward, G. Knights, W. Harvey, W. Martin, E. Rogers, H. Stannard, F. Sanders, C. Ganz, and J. O. Williams, R.N.

RESULTS OF THE RACING.

Sailing match for East Coast lifeboats.—Entries: Mark Lane, Aldeburgh; Christopher North Graham, Thorpeness; Alfred Corrie, Southwold. The finish was as follows:—Christopher North Graham, 2h. 12m. 40s.; Mark Lane, 2h. 20m.; Alfred Corrie, 2h. 27m. Coastguard 4-oared galleys.—1st, Aldeburgh; 2nd, Thorpeness; 3rd, Orfordness. Sailing match for punts.—1st, Three Brothers, Wilson (Thorpe); 2nd, Surprise, Harling; 3rd, Three Sisters, Alexander; 4th, Surprise, Mann. Gentlemen's pair oars (amateur).—1st, Charlie (Colliss), T. Pallant and L. Burwood, with J. Young (coxswain); 2nd, Water Witch (Haken); 3rd, Victor (Cable); 4th, Laura (Cable). Match for fore-and-aft pleasure boats.—The first, second, and third boats in were Dora, Kitty, and Kittiwake, all owned by Cable. Gentlemen's 4-oared (amateurs).—1st, Austral, J. B. Pettit (bow), H. L. Pearson, W. Martin, J. N. Reading (stroke), E. S. Rogers (cox.); 2nd, Colonist, George Ashwell (bow), W. Chatten, S. Whistler, R. Hayward (stroke), L. Smyth (cox.); 3rd, Oceana (Roy Smyth); 4th, Lotus (V. Garrett). Ladies' 4-oared race.—1st, Austral, Misses E. and N. Balls, Miss L. Kemp, Miss L. Pallant, Councillor Haken (cox.); 2nd, Oceana, Mrs. E. Butcher, Mrs. Morris, Miss C. Burwood, Miss J. Crisp, Councillor Colliss (cox); 3rd, Colonist, Miss G. Collis, Miss N. Pallant. Miss E. Crisp, Miss Read, Mr. C. Crisp (cox.); 4th, Lotus, Miss A. Colliss, Miss H. Burwood, Mrs. W. Easter, jun., Mrs. C. Smith, Mr. E. Pallant (cox.). Swimming match for youths, 15 years and under.—1st, H. L. Fell; 2nd, S. G. Lennox; 3rd, E. Knights. Seven starters. Ditto for amateurs.—1st, G. S. Leigh; 2nd, A. H. Bardswell; 3rd, E. C. Curteis. "Socials" resene race.—1st, R. Hayward; 2nd, E. C. Curteis; 3rd, W. Riggs.

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NOTES ON POLITICS.

THE HOUSE OF LORDS AGITATION.

AN ABORTIVE DEMONSTRATION.

THE CHURCH DEFENCE CAMPAIGN.

Sunday's demonstration against the House of Lords looked very small when compared with other gatherings which have taken place. A careful computation from the windows of a club in Piccadilly resulted in the conclusion that the processions could not have included more than 5,000 or 6,000 persons. Of these quite a third belonged to the Irish organisations. In fact, the business practically resolved itself into an outing for the Irish Cockney. Even many of the English M.P.'s who had promised to attend were absent, notably Mr. Burt and Mr. Caine. The hero of the afternoon was unmistakably Mr. William O'Brien. He had the best band, and his procession arrived first in the park. Dr. Tanner also attracted a large audience, and he seemed immensely tickled by his own jokes. As a method of abolishing the House of Lords, he made the suggestion that it should be turned into an exhibition of curiosities, "with a sixpenny entrance and a free gallery."

The crowd of sightseers was large, but it did not take the proceedings very seriously. The Social Democratic Federation, which had been announced as neutral, held a fairly successful side-show on its own account. At this Sir William Harcourt was denounced as "the biggest humbug that the world has ever seen," and Lord Rosebery was described as "a fair dancer at a middle-class ball." Towards the close the supply of speakers ran short, and one fervent orator, Mr. Thornton, delivered himself from no less than three platforms. During a stroll round I heard one gentleman recounting the incidents of a visit to Ireland, and another abusing Lord George Hamilton. But the best remark was, perhaps, the following:—"Gentlemen, I will ask you, what is the House of Lords and what is its mission? Until I can get an answer to these questions in the affirmative, it shall have no support from me."

As I anticipated, the Welsh Liberals in conference at Llandrindod found themselves under the necessity of making a special and urgent appeal for funds, nominally to defray the expense of a parish councils campaign, and the cost of summoning a national convention on the position of Welsh Disestablishment, to be held at Aberystwith in December. As an additional bait to subscribers, they are promised that their names will be advertised in a daily paper. Even then the outlook does not appear to be regarded as encouraging, and laments are being openly made that to the paltry £200 which is the annual income of the South Wales and Monmouthshire Federation, the highest subscription is only £10, and this in a region where it is claimed that a generally diffused prosperity, as well as public spirit and intelligence, is synonymous with Radical Nonconformity.

The Church Defence campaign which is about to be initiated will be marked by one very gratifying feature. It will indicate that harmony of operations (if I may use the phrase) has been established between the English and Scottish Churchmen. The offensive and defensive alliance with the Scottish Churchmen, which so many prominent English Churchmen have ardently desired, is thus brought a step nearer. While the would-be spoliators of the Church are being attacked with relentless energy in England and Wales, the defensive effort in Scotland will be marked by a resolution and a vigour which it has of late, perhaps, somewhat needed. Not a constituency either in Wales or Scotland is to be neglected, and the men who will take part in the effort—clerics whose life will save them from assault and insult—will give an added dignity to a movement which has honesty and religion co-operating with it.

A remarkable battle is foreshadowed by Mr. Power, who spoke at the Cork demonstration. He remarked that "England had a long tail in the East, and the bear might step out and nip her some day. They would then be prepared to let loose the wolf-dog on her flank." One is almost inclined to pardon the disloyalty to the Empire of which Mr. Power is presumably a subject, for the sake of this delightful phrase. Even treason has apparently its ridiculous side.

We are not sure that the resolution of the National Society of Conservative Agents recommending that when a qualified permanent organising secretary is in charge of a constituency, the election agency should be first offered to him before being accepted by any other member of the society, is altogether a wise one. There are often, especially in the case of by-election, special circumstances which make it most desirable that the candidate should have the services of some particular election agent, and it will be a great pity if this is made impossible by a hard and fast rule.

Few people would imagine courtesy to be a characteristic of the new Radicalism, but naturally the exponents of the creed have their own standards of behaviour. The *Westminster Gazette* has been challenging the *Daily Chronicle* to say what it wants, and the *Chronicle* did so more or less, after dubbing the green one the "Pangloss of journalism." The other night the *Westminster* remarked that its challenge had been "very courteously" met, and no doubt is justified in so doing. Merely to compare anyone to Dr. Pangloss, whether Voltaire's or Colman's, is "very courteous" for the *Daily Chronicle*.

WOODBRIDGE LOCAL BOARD BYE-LAWS.

THE MEMBERS EAT HUMBLE PIE.

AMUSING REPORT BY THE CHAIRMAN.

The principal question for the consideration of the Woodbridge Local Board, on Monday, was the Local Government Board's objection to the bye-laws, and to the appointment of Mr. W. G. Whisstock as inspector of nuisances unless he relinquished the collection of cottage rents.—The Chairman now stated that he and the Clerk, had waited upon "their masters"—the Local Government Board—who treated them most courteously, but at the same time told them that their bye-laws were no use. (Laughter.) They told them that they were not definite enough, and in reply, they (the deputation) said they were drawn almost word for word from Hadleigh and other places, but it seemed that the only good they had done was to

GET THESE PLACES "INTO A ROW."

(Great laughter.) He (the Chairman) could only advise that they should alter the bye-laws in such a way as to meet their case. With regard to the Inspector of Nuisances he pointed out that the difficulty could be met by the Board paying the Inspector the full £15 per annum, and renouncing the moiety to be paid by the County Council.—It was unanimously resolved that Mr. Whisstock's appointment at the salary of £15 per annum be confirmed.—As to the bye-laws, a Committee was appointed to consider the alterations required.

REGATTA AT FELIXSTOWE.

INTERESTING SCENE ON THE BEACH

The South Beach, Felixstowe, presented an animated scene on Monday on the occasion of the second annual beach regatta. A well-filled card of fourteen events afforded some good racing. Mr. W. Cuthbert Quilter, M.P.'s, yacht, with Mr. Quilter and Col. N. Barnardiston amongst the party on board, and the s.s. Merrimac, which had on board a party of over 100 persons from Ipswich, Shotley, and Harwich, were anchored a short distance out. The hon. secretary, Mr. H. Dodd, ably discharged his duties, and the other active officials were:—Starters, Messrs. C. W. Troughton and M. M. Fleming; judge, Mr. W. B. Cooper; the referee, Mr. F. H. Cooper; and the hon. treasurer, Mr. Tom H. Winks.

RESULTS.

Match for Beach Sailing Boats (over 15 ft.)—Starters:—Jubilee, E. Aldis; Genesta, W. E. Winks; Yarana, T. H. Winks; Ethel, E. Winks; Sea Belle, T. H. Eley. Finish:—Genesta, Sea Belle, Yarana. Match for beach sailing boats (over 17ft.). Starters:—Alice, Mr. W. Parnell; May Flower, Mr. W. Meadows; Dewdrop, Mr. G. Meadows; Princess Royal, Mr. J. Frost. The result was:—1, Mayflower; 2, Princess Royal; 3, Alice; 4, Dewdrop. No time. Match for beach sailing boats (under 15 ft.). Starters:—Petrel, H. Aldis; Nellie, J. Brundle; Sibyl, W. Winks, jun.; Carrie, A. Parnell; Fred, W. Alexander; Lizzie, T. Collins; Mary Ann, W. Wadley; Fiona, T. H. Ely. In getting away Sibyl established a good lead, but at the conclusion of the first round Nellie was alongside and eventually won rather easily; Sibyl was second, with Lizzie third. Open pair-oared rowing match, about half-mile.—There were four starters, of which Mabel, strongly rowed by E. and A. Newson, easily took first prize; Water Lily (C. and G. Newson) was second, and Daisy (Harwich) a bad third.—Open handicap sailing match. Starters:—Delphine, J. Hextall; Fox, J. H. Cann; Tern, H. Varley; Waterwitch, N. A. Nasmyth; Zoe, A. Bannerman; Phantom, S. Skipper. Finish:—Tern, Delphine, and Fox. Sailing match for open beach boats, for Bawdsey Ferry men; about half-mile. The Anthon (C. Frost) was first home, Dorothy (E. Newson) came in second, and Atalanta (C. Newson) third. 100 Yards Handicap Swimming Match.—1, C. C. Wharton, 40 secs; 2, R. Tunks, 20 secs; 3, D. Leckie, 25 secs; 4, T. Ward, 20 secs. Amateur Sailing Match. Starters:—Genesta, S. Dodd and W. Mence; Ethel, A. Kelson; Yarana, S. Whitman; Sea Belle, F. Mason. Result:—Sea Belle, Genesta, and Ethel. Sculling Match.—1, Snow Drop (W. Meadows); 2, Ivy (G. Meadows); 3, Mabel (H. Aldis). Beachmen's Pair-Oared Rowing Match, about ½-mile.—1, Water Lily (E. Aldis and W. Meadows); 2, Erne (T. H. Winks and H. Aldis); 3, Boy Charlie (J. Brundle and J. Frost). Beachmen's Single-Oared Rowing Match, about ½-mile. 1, Boy Charlie (J. Frost); 2, Water Lily (E. Aldis); 3, Daisy (T. H. Winks). Climbing the Greasy Pole.—This event caused great merriment, and was won by T. H. Wright, second and third prizes going to R. Fenner and E. Aldis respectively. A duck hunt also created considerable amusement, and was ended by the duck being captured. T. H. Wright was the duck, and the hunters were T. H. Winks, G. Meadows, W. Meadows, and E. Aldis.

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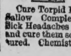

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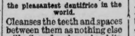

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ART AND LETTERS.

MR. J. K. JEROME FOR IPSWICH.

FAVOURITE BOOKS OF GREAT MEN.

EXTRAVAGANT PRICES FOR PICTURES.

Mr. Jerome K. Jerome, author of "Three Men in a Boat," &c., will lecture in Ipswich in November.

A London magazine for the current month has an entertaining article by Miss Frances H. Low on those books which in their childish days were the favourites of men who have since become celebrated. As might, perhaps, be expected, the first place is filled by "Robinson Crusoe," among his faithful followers being the Prince of Wales, John Stuart Mill, Mr. Lecky, Mr. Besant, Professor Huxley, Mr. Santley, Mr. John Burns, the author of "Mark Rutherford," Sir Henry Thompson and Lord Wolseley, while Mr. Alfred Austin and Dante Gabriel Rossetti were both indebted to Defoe for many happy hours, although their admiration was not extravagant.

For the rest, the "Arabian Nights," which now also appears to be little read by children, captivated Mr. Gladstone, Mrs. Drew, Mr. Ruskin, Mr. R. L. Stevenson, and Miss Christina Rossetti; "Mungo Park's Travels" were sought after by Professor Huxley and Mr. Alfred Austin; Shakespeare appealed to Dante Gabriel Rossetti, Professor Dowden, and Lord Salisbury; Mr. Besant had an embarrassing affection for old plays; and "Gulliver" was, of course, generally popular. Madame Patti thinks with most pleasure of "Monte Cristo," and Miss Ada Rehan of "fairy tales and Tennyson." Miss Low should now discover what were the favourite children's books of thirty years ago. Andersen and Dickens would, we fancy, hold high places.

Readers of "Bleak House," and admirers of Miss Jenny Lee's performances as Jo, may be interested in knowing that in consequence of the demolition of some old houses between Catherine Street and Drury Lane, the burial ground wherein "Nemo" was laid to rest, is now to be seen plainly by anyone who will penetrate into Russell Court, and take one of the narrow turnings therefrom. The graveyard is now a playground for the children, who swarm in this part, but the iron gate made familiar by Hablot Browne's idealised picture still remains.

Extravagant prices have been common this year in the auction rooms, but the price for a picture by Sir Joshua Reynolds is worthy of special record. It was the portrait of Lady Betty Delmé and her two children, painted when Sir Joshua was in his 57th year, in 1780. He was then in the zenith of his power and popularity, yet the price he charged for full-length portraits at that day, though he was president of the R.A., and drove in his carriage, was only £100. The portrait has never been in a sale-room, but came direct from the collection of the late Mr. Seymour R. Delmé, of Cains Hall, Hampshire, for whose ancestor it was painted. Lady Betty was a sister of the Earl of Carlisle of that day, who also was painted some years previously by the great artist. More celebrated paintings of Sir Joshua, at least better known from engravings, among them being "The Strawberry Girl," and "Lady Smythe," were shortly before also at Christie's for sale, but were withdrawn. These were from the collection of the sporting Duchess of Montrose. Gainsborough's portrait of Madame Le Brun, an opera singer, sold for 3,100 guineas. One by T. Faed, R.A., "The Poor, and the Poor Man's Friend," an inferior work to his "Mitherless Bairn," only fetched 650 guineas at that sale.

An English girl has carried off the literary distinction of Brussels—the diploma, known as the Brevet de Capacité, awarded by the Belgian capital. It has been taken by Miss Daisie Bowie, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, the only English candidate, who gained the additional distinction of having her essay on Molière's "Je consens qu'une femme ait des clartés de tout," classed first in order of merit out of 20 successful ones on the same subject.

"Old Moore," of almanack fame, is in real life Mr. T. Roberts, a genial gentleman, who went through many adventures before he settled down as a prophet. The early part of his life was spent in North America, and he alleges that it was while tending sheep in the solitary passes of the Rocky Mountains that he first felt the prophetic instinct. He has been in Salt Lake City, and was there visited by a ghost. Subsequently he spent some time in Southern Mexico, and learnt much of his art from the medicine men of the Indians and half-breds.

John Strange Winter's new novel, "A Seventh Child," was originally intended to appear in two volumes, but in view of the recently expressed preference for single volumes, she has reduced it to one. It deals, we understand, with clairvoyance.

Weldon's Ladies' Journal for September is fully up-to-date and is an excellent number. The number contains several useful papers of interest to ladies on the duties of ladies' maids, novel appliques for linen, our little ones, the toilet, cookery and practical dress.

A FATAL STORM.

RAILWAY CARRIAGES SWEEPING ALONG

KILL THREE MEN.

A terrible storm raged all Tuesday evening at Laurahutte. Thousands of windows were smashed by hailstones; large trees were torn up by the roots, and chimneys were blown down. The wind blew with such force that some railway carriages standing on the line were swept along at a great speed, and three workmen were run over. A man and a woman were struck by lightning and killed.

MARKETS.

IPSWICH CATTLE, Tuesday.—A very small attendance and consequently few buyers. The supply also was short; prices somewhat reduced. Animals penned exclusive of sale yards—279 fat and store cattle, 985 sheep, 27 swine, 32 horses.—At Messrs. Spurling and Sons' Sale Yard there was a good supply of stall-fed beef for the time of year, which sold freely. Mutton a short supply and dear, making up to 65s. 6d. Pork at late rates. Numbers penned—85 fat beasts, 141 sheep, 104 swine.

IPSWICH CORN, Tuesday.—In consequence of the wet weather of last week, very little wheat was on offer. The few samples sold realised last week's prices. New red 20s. to 23s., white to 24s. per 504lbs. Old red 23s. to 24s., white to 25s. per 504lbs. A few samples of new barley were sold at from 28s. to 30s. for fair malting qualities. Oats steady. Maize unaltered. Beans and peas slow. Milling offals firm.

SAXMUNDHAM CORN, Wednesday.—Nothing doing. Not a sample to be seen of any kind. No farmers present, all being busy in the harvest.

SUDBURY CORN, Thursday.—The market thinly attended as usual, and not much doing. Wheat supply small, at 20s. to 25s. Barley, none offering.

WOODBRIDGE CORN, Thursday.—After broken weather last Thursday and Saturday, we have had a fine time for harvest this week, and some bit of corn has been got up. There is still some breadth of barley to reap. Owing to harvest a very small attendance and supply of wheat to-day, and but little business passing. Wheat—white (old), 27s. to 28s. per qr.; (new), 23s. to 24s per qr.; red (old), 25s. to 26s. per qr.; (new), 21s. to 23s. per qr.

BURY CORN, Wednesday.—Wheat: A moderate quantity of new reds was on offer, for which buyers were found at 21s. to 22s. per 504lbs. for samples in fair condition, and 18s. to 20s. for others; old reds worth about 24s. per 504lbs. Maize firm on the week. Grinding barley quiet. Oilcakes and other feeding stuffs in not very good demand, with practically no change in prices.

BURY CATTLE, Wednesday.—In the general market there was a moderate show of store beasts, including some young Irish cattle. The supply proved quite equal to the demand, sales not being easily effected. Plentiful show of useful store sheep, for which there was rather more animation in business, but a clearance was by no means effected. There was a lack of purchasers, farmers apparently being much engaged in harvesting.

LONDON AGRICULTURAL SEED TRADE, Wednesday.—Messrs. John Shaw and Sons, seed merchants, of Great Maze Pond, Borough, London, S.E., write that increased attention is now given to red cloverseed; over 70 tons of yearling American red changed hands last Monday at Mark Lane. The United States official reports for August indicate the clover seed crop as only three-fourths of an average. English trifolium and rye continue exceptionally cheap. For winter tares there is a good inquiry; mustard and rape seed show no change, canary seed keeps strong; stocks both in London and Liverpool stand at a very low level. For peas there is an improving feeling; linseed and buck wheat are steady.

STRATFORD MARKET, week ending 28th August.—This market has been well supplied with all kinds of produce during the past week, and with a large attendance of buyers a brisk trade was done at the undermentioned prices:—Cabbages, 3s. to 4s. 6d. per tally; cauliflowers, 5s. to 7s. per tally; potatoes (dark land Magnums) 45s. to 52s. 6d. per ton; ditto (upland Magnums), 50s. to 65s. per ton; ditto (Bruce), 50s. to 65s. per ton; ditto (Snowdrops), 60s. to 80s. per ton; ditto (Beauty of Hebron), 55s. to 65s. per ton; ditto (Early Puretons), 60s. to 75s. per ton; ditto (White Elephants), 55s. to 60s. per ton; plums, 2s. to 3s. 6d. per half-sieve; ditto, 4s. to 6s. per flat; greengages, 2s. to 3s. per half-sieve; ditto, 4s. 6d. to 6s. per flat; pears, 1s. to 2s. 6d. per half-sieve; ditto, 3s. to 5s. per flat; tomatoes (English), 6d. to 8d. per lb.; scarlet beans, 3s. to 4s. 6d. per bushel; French ditto, 2s. 6d. to 3s. 6d. per bushel; cucumbers (frame), 1s. to 3s. per dozen; ditto (field), 6d. to 8d. per dozen; turnips, 1s. 6d. to 2s. per dozen bunches; carrots (household), 40s. to 50s. per ton; ditto (cattle feeding), 28s. to 33s. per ton; mangolds, 22s. to 24s. per ton; hay, 65s. to 80s. per load; straw, 45s. to 52s. per load; clover, 100s. to 115s. per load; chaff, 50s. to 100s. per ton; horse mixture, 100s. to 110s. per ton; oats, 13s. 6d. to 20s. 6d. per qr.; maize, 17s. 9d. to 19s. 6d. per qr.; barley, 14s. to 14s. 9d. per qr.; beans, 18s. to 19s. 6d. per qr.; peas, 32s. to 34s. per qr.; onions (Ports.), 5s. 6d. to 6s. 6d. per case; ditto (Dutch), 2s. 9d. to 3s. 6d. per bag; ditto (Valencia), 4s. 6d. to 5s. 6d. per case; apples (English), 3s. to 7s. 6d. per bushel; watercress, 6d. per dozen.

SUCCESSFUL TREATMENT OF EPILEPTICAL FITS.—We strongly recommend any of our readers suffering from Epilepsy or Hysteria to send their names and addresses to Mr. Oscar Fanyan, 90, Great Russell Street, London, who will, if they mention this paper, send to them gratis his Practical Treatise on the permanent cure of Epileptical Fits and other diseases of the Nervous System.

WOMAN'S WAYS AND WORK.

O woman! lovely woman! nature made thee
To temper man; we had been brutes without you.
Thomas Otway.

On Tuesday the Queen left Osborne for Balmoral, leaving the Isle of Wight about five o'clock. Her Majesty arrived at Balmoral the next afternoon.

On Thursday and Friday a bazaar was held at Balmoral in aid of funds for the rebuilding of Crathie parish church. Princess Louise opened the bazaar on the first day, and Princess Beatrice on the second day, the latter Princess also held a stall. Her Majesty visited the bazaar both days.

The Queen has provided all her married granddaughters with Scottish servants. The crown Princess of Roumania has one, also the Grand Duchess of Hesse. The Princess Alice, upon her return home after her late visit to England, took with her a Scottish woman.

An old couple at Ferring, near Worthing, have recently celebrated the 70th anniversary of their marriage. The Queen having sent them a small donation, a portrait of the aged pair, John Moore and his wife, has been forwarded to her Majesty by the Vicar of the parish.

At Halifax, in Nova Scotia, on Friday, August 24th, the Countess of Aberdeen addressed an immense audience of ladies organised by the Halifax Branch of the Woman's National Council.

Miss Evangeline Florence, one of the singers at the forthcoming Hereford Festival, is a native of Boston, U.S., and is possessed of a voice with an unusually high register. She made her *début* at St. James's Hall, May 11th, 1892. After the Hereford Festival Miss Florence will return to America for a time, and during her stay there will be married to Mr. Crerrar, a Scotch gentleman, whose acquaintance she made during her sojourn in England; soon after her marriage she will again return to this country.

Except for the discussion, mentioned in last Saturday's *Journal*, upon women's garments that is going on in a London contemporary, no very sensational problem has been raised this "silly season" to vex our souls. "The Linkman," in *Truth*, speaking upon this subject, says, "Since the House of Lords is understood to be on the brink of destruction, may I suggest as an autumn topic for discussion?—'Why not have a House of Ladies'? Surely a woman upon the woolsack would be more suitable than a law-lord, and mothers-in-law might be appointed to succeed the Lords of Appeal. 'A ministering angel thou' plainly infers that woman ought to be a minister."

The Post Office returns have just been published, and from them we learn that the total number of officers on the permanent establishment of the Post Office department, together with sub-postmasters, on the 31st of March, 1894, was 74,819. This total includes 10,908 women, of whom 1,180 are employed as clerks in the chief offices in London, Edinburgh and Dublin, and 4,080 as counter-women, sorting clerks, and telegraphists throughout the United Kingdom.

Sixty-one thousand other persons are employed throughout the United Kingdom more or less on Post Office work, but not on the permanent staff; about 17,000 of these are women.

It may, at first sight, seem a matter of congratulation only, that 27,908 women should thus, in one department, be provided with work. But, as to all others, there are two sides to this question. The number of women employed means, probably, a similar number of men unemployed. We know that there are many women, unfortunately, who are absolutely obliged to earn their own living, and we are only too thankful that there should be openings for them, and that they should not be reduced to the terrible straits described by Walter Besant in "Katherine Regina." But are there not in these days many girls who go into business simply because they find it more amusing than staying quietly at home? Also, do not working girls take up employments that used to belong to men only, rather than go into domestic service—not because they get better pay, or because the market for servants is overstocked, for good servants are at a premium, but because they think they will be grander or more independent?

An amusing example of what can be done through the Post Office was given in one of the London papers a few days ago. A young woman, who had lost her way, applied at the Swiss Cottage Post Office, and, for the sum of 3d., was safely conducted to Hampstead, and, upon her arrival at her destination, a receipt was given for her.

Miss Page, of Norwich, is to be credited with the distinction of being the first woman who has spoken in the Foresters' High Court. A discussion was held as to the advisability of choosing a male or female treasurer for the Woman's Court. Miss Page inclined to having a man; for, said she, "A woman would probably consult her husband, should she have one, and it would be best for the Court to consult with a man direct." Miss Page said "It was nonsense to say women were as competent as men to manage or advise in monetary matters."

Miss Layard exhibited at the British Association, at Oxford, casts in wax of models of flowers for study at a time of year when the plants are not in flower. The botanists present said such models would be most useful.

A letter from a lady in Tuesday's *Times* gives a sad account of the disastrous effect of the recent heavy rains upon the little town of Beaminster. It appears that upon Saturday night, after a bad thunderstorm, the town, which lies in a hollow, was completely flooded. Some cottages were entirely destroyed, others nearly so, gardens were wrecked and cattle drowned. One old inhabitant had 11 ft. of water in his house, his valuable library was spoilt, his parrot drowned and his old china broken. But the cottagers are most to be pitied, as they are many of them homeless, and were, at the time the letter was written, sitting in the streets amid their broken furniture hoping for sun to dry them.

In case any readers of the *Journal* should be interested in Beaminster (Dorset) or its neighbourhood, we mention that subscriptions for the sufferers will be gladly received by Mrs. Watkins Lloyd, Park Cottage, Beaminster.

It is often difficult to know how to wear out a silk evening gown, as after it has done duty sufficiently long for parties it may be either too good or too smart for everyday home wear. A gown we saw the other day suggested a way of utilizing such a garment as the above-mentioned, only a little extra silk for yoke and sleeves would be required, and this might possibly be taken from the skirt train. The foundation of the costume we saw was pale strawberry-coloured silk, this was covered with striped black grenadine; the bodice was made full into a yoke composed of alternate stripes of black ribbon and pink silk covered with black lace insertion, the latter being cut pointed and edged with jet fringe. The cuffs were trimmed with similar lace insertion over pink with a little jet fringe and finished off with cream lace ruffles. A high corselet belt of lace over pink encircled the waist.

The hat worn with this dress was a transparent black picture hat with a thick twist of pink velvet under the brim and a similar twist round the low crown. In the centre of the crown was placed a large bunch of black violets with long stalks; these flowers fell in much the same way as the strands of a tassel do if that tassel is held upsidedown. Such a costume would be useful, even in winter, for smart afternoon at-homes, or afternoon dances, or again for village concerts.

CLELIA.

NO BREAD IN DOUGLAS.

EXTRAORDINARY INFLUX OF VISITORS.

In Douglas, Isle of Man, the influx of visitors by the steamers from England was so great, numbering some 16,000 in one day, that the bread of the town ran short. Bakers kept their ovens going throughout the day and night; 2½d. loaves were selling at 6d., and finally dispatches had to be sent to the neighbouring towns of Ramsey, Castletown, and Peel for supplies by train. Happily nobody went to bed hungry.

A PUBLIC-HOUSE BRAWL IN ESSEX.

FATAL RESULT.

A PRINCIPAL CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER.

Much excitement has prevailed at Sawbridgeworth during the past week in consequence of the death of a man named Pavitt, and the arrest of a labourer named Chappell, the result of a public-house brawl. It appeared that Henry Chappell, aged 25, a labourer and single, residing at Sneering Lane with his mother, went to the Bull Inn, North End, with one William Brace, also a labourer. Later William Pavitt, a hay carter, and his sweetheart, Ellen Murphy, followed them into the tap-room. Just before nine o'clock in the evening the party were joined by Pavitt's brother John. The latter had not been on the premises long before he and Chappell commenced a violent altercation, a 15-month old dispute being at the bottom of it.

BOTH MEN STRIPPED TO FIGHT,

but the landlord, Joseph Gardner, stepped in and ordered them out. The request was complied with. An interval of not more than ten minutes had elapsed when John was discovered by the rest of the party lying insensible in the road. Chappell was nowhere to be seen, but Police-constable Wiseman soon found him minus part of his shirt. Chappell made no attempt to conceal the fact that there had been a fight, and that he (Chappell) had gone away. Pavitt had in the meantime been cared for; brandy was administered, but to no effect. Two or three gasps sufficed, and the poor fellow was dead. Medical men say he was strangled. The Coroner's Jury confirmed this opinion.—On Saturday Chappell was brought before the Magistrates at Bishop Stortford. After circumstantial evidence had been taken, Police-constable Wiseman stated that when arrested prisoner intimated that he was set on by Jack and Will. Pavitt and Will. Brace, and in order to get free he was forced to fight his way through.—Chappell was then committed for trial at the next Assizes on a charge of manslaughter.—Bail was allowed in one surety of £100 and two of £50 each.

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AGRICULTURE.

HARVEST OPERATIONS IN SUFFOLK.

CONDITION OF BARLEY.

AN UNSATISFACTORY OUTLOOK.

ENCOURAGEMENT OF POULTRY RAISING.

[BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

"What extraordinary harvest weather!" is an exclamation one hears on every side. As I write, however, there is not a cloud to be seen, the sun is shining with summer splendour and power, and let us hope that it may prove the beginning of a better state of things. The hope has been cheered in a similar way several times this season, but the bright days have only proved to be "weather breeders," and heavy showers have succeeded to add to the anxiety of the farmers, and to prolong harvest operations. The expense and worry incidental to the present uncertain condition of the elements is probably only adequately appreciated by those who have to undergo the trying ordeal. It takes all the "go" out of harvest, though in reality more of it is required, but when you have to spend a good deal of your time in setting up sheaves and in turning over the grass the work becomes very discouraging, and the consequent delay is bad all round. Last year the harvest was got into trim for the way in quick stick and the land was got into trim for the succeeding crops, and some young farmers in heavy land districts, for the want of a better job, and to vary the monotony of life in the country, were glad to turn their attention occasionally to rabbiting—where any were to be found—or some of the other methods of employment open to dwellers in rural districts. I found, during the course of a little rambling excursion this week, that some of the fields have been cleared, proving that the rains have been partial.

IN THE LOCALITY IN ESSEX

where I made a brief stay there had not, however, been the slightest chance of getting up the corn which had been standing so invitingly for several days in readiness to be carted, and some of it had begun to sprout. In our own county of Suffolk a very sorrowful tale has to be told with regard, more particularly, to the barley. The weather last week proved most disastrous to the uncarted barleys. How serious has been the mischief caused was evidenced by the samples brought on the Ipswich Market on Tuesday. Some of it was in a fair condition, and this made from 28s. to 30s. per quarter, but the crop throughout the district has become sadly deteriorated, and, sad to relate, very little of it will be fit for malting. This is the depressing effect of the rainfall during the past week, which proved to be the wettest during the present month. The Agricultural Correspondent of the *Standard*, whose remarks apply generally, says:—"It remains to be seen whether comparative immunity from sprouting will be continued after such a soaking as the sheaves and loose corn have now had, and the uncut laid crops also. Even the corn stacked in the middle of last week has been injured, the rainfall having been heavy enough to penetrate a long way into the unthatched stacks. Seldom has a magnificent

HARVEST BEEN SO BADLY INJURED

as that of the present season has been already, while the prospect of even worse damage is depressing to the unfortunate farmer. Only a comparatively small portion of the corn harvest has yet been saved, and a few more days like Saturday or Thursday would be fatal to all hopes of securing the cut crops in even tolerable condition. But if yesterday's (Sunday) weather be maintained, complete disaster may yet be averted. In some parts of the north and west of England there are still large quantities of hay to be dealt with, some of it not being yet cut. Scotland and Ireland have had their full share of the unseasonable rainfall." This was, of course, written some days ago, and we may well hope that an improved state of things has set in; but the general reader will be able to understand how much mischief has been already caused, and something of the uncertainties and losses incidental to the cultivation of the soil. No matter how good the crop, nor how much time and labour have been expended in its production, he has to stand by day after day quite helpless and see it gradually deteriorate in value. This is almost heartbreaking, especially with the small farmer, who stands so much in need of the extra return which a good sample would bring him. However, it was always so, and these uncertainties will in this variable climate continue to the end of the chapter.

THE HANDFORD FAIR

Field at Ipswich last week presented a wonderful spectacle, viewed in the light of the marked changes which have of late come over all fairs in different parts of the country. Time was, and that too within the memory of many of us, when the consignments to the Handford Fair were to be numbered by many thousands, and for an agriculturist of any standing in Suffolk—nay, almost in the three counties—to be absent was almost regarded as a sign that something was radically wrong somewhere. The number of animals that changed hands at that rather remote period was enormous, this being the occasion when many graziers replenished their flocks, and the dealers, men of note and considerable influence in their way, did a good business. It is not difficult to understand why so much significance should at that time attach to the two great stock fairs, one held the first Tuesday in May, and the other on the 22nd August. These were then the chief channels through which business of the kind could be done. The reasons which led to the considerable changes which have come over fairs in various parts of the country within the period represented by about a quarter of a century, are not, perhaps, far to seek,

THE REPOSITORY SALES,

as I have before had occasion to point out, being mainly responsible for these alterations. That these Repository sales, which have sprung up in the smaller towns of East Anglia as well as at Ipswich and other places of greater commercial importance, should have gradually supplanted the old methods of acquiring and disposing of stock is not much to be wondered at, seeing that they are considered in every way more convenient, as enabling the farmer to dispose of his stock in a way and at a time most convenient for raising a little ready cash at periods when there is not very much coming in from the stock-yard. This, however, rather savours of ancient history. We have all become familiarised with the large numbers of agriculturists who assemble weekly at Messrs. Spurling and Sons' Sale Yard, as well as at the numerous other weekly stock auctions which make the earlier part of the several market days much busier than was once wont to be the case. The point that I was desirous of coming to was that the last Handford Fair assumed very

MUCH ITS OLD FORM,

in point of attendance at any rate, though the amount of business transacted was done in a form different from the order of things which prevailed when the century was much younger. The consignments, too, were different and less numerous. The great feature of the large number of sheep—for it was essentially a sheep sale—was the great preponderance and the all round good quality of the Suffolk black-faced. No more striking evidence could be afforded of the great progress this useful breed of sheep has made in popular favour than the number entered and the prices realised. I am glad to see that one of the London papers, quoting the *Live Stock Journal*, calls attention to some of the extraordinary prices made on the occasion to which I am referring. The publicity which is thus given from time to time to the Suffolk sheep cannot fail to be productive of the best results. Agriculturists have often been advised to turn their attention to the smaller matters of the farm, as a help towards meeting difficulties incidental to these days of depression, and their attention has been specially called to the large sums of money annually paid to the foreigner for poultry and eggs. With the view, I suppose, of encouraging farmers to turn their

ATTENTION TO POULTRY-KEEPING,

a new feature is to be added to the next Fat Cattle Show at the Agricultural Hall at Islington. There is to be a table poultry show, or, in other words, a show of poultry bred for practical purposes as distinct from the fancy kind. The prizes will be offered by the Poulterers' Company. The expediency of some such new departure has been pressed on farmers and labourers alike for many years, but, hitherto, without much success. People who are so ready with their advice upon matters of this kind forget, or possibly do not quite understand, the difficulties of competition with the foreigner in the matter of productions of this kind. The foreigner has nearly all the advantage in respect to climate and the conveyance of various articles of the kind. However, the proposed exhibition can do no harm if it is not attended by any lasting good to agriculturists in this part of the country. The *Standard*, commenting upon the project, says:—

"THE DEMAND FOR THE BEST QUALITIES

of poultry is, we are told, even now greater than the supply; and, notwithstanding the obstacles we have mentioned, there would probably be an opening for the native producer to step in and cut out the foreigner if he would only pull himself together and direct his energies into the right channel. We hope the Table Poultry Show will do something to rouse up both landlords, tenants, and workmen to make an effort, at least, in this direction. With wheat at a guinea a quarter, no suggestion should be despised which shows the slightest possibility of compensating agriculturists of all grades for the melancholy decline in the value of their staple product."

FRIENDLY SOCIETY NOTES.

PAST OFFICERS OF TWO ORDERS

HAVE THEIR OUTINGS.

HONOUR FOR IPSWICH.

FRIENDLY SOCIETY RETURNS.

[SPECIALLY CONTRIBUTED.]

As we pointed out last week Mr. Brabrook's annual report deals with a large number of organisations under the Friendly Societies Act, which, including those for branches of orders, exceed 19,000, supplemented by more than 4,000 from other societies such as co-operative bodies, etc. An interesting section, though it comes last on the list, has reference to Railway Savings Banks, ten of the latter institutions having registered their rules and show more than 23,000 deposit accounts with money due to the depositors exceeding £1,750,000.

Gratifying as this evidence of continued thrift on the part of the workers must be the added interest should not be overlooked, therefore the total in these banks is increasing at the rate of nearly £200,000 per annum. As an instance of the ever-increasing prosperity of the majority of the working classes the Chief Registrar is able to report that if he includes all the bodies which come under his cognisance, the grand total of the funds standing to their credit exceed £225,000,000. Building Society statistics are less satisfactory, for in less than 20 years about 3,000 of these organisations were registered and over a thousand dissolved; while nearly half the societies started as "permanent" only averaged a life of six years. Taken on a whole, however, Mr. Brabrook's returns for 1893 may be considered as exceedingly satisfactory, and at the same time to confirm the firm stand which Parliament has made in maintaining supervision—none too strict—over those societies into which the masses prefer to place their savings for the inevitable "rainy day."

The Ipswich Past Grands' Lodge of the Independent Order of Oddfellows, M.U., spent an enjoyable evening last Thursday, on the occasion of their official visit to the members of the Loyal "St. John's" Lodge, opportunity being taken by the energetic officers of this young Lodge to make the event as pleasant as possible. Amongst those attending as representatives of the visiting Lodge were Prov. G.M. C. Hudson, P.P.G.M.s Geo. W. Senton, J. Ball and John Pye (secretary), P.G.s G. Gosling, C. Bullard, F. Bales, H. Cordingley, W. Clemance, S. H. Daniels, &c. Bro. E. Westlake, N.G., presided, and, proposing the health of "The Queen," said that all genuine Oddfellows were loyal citizens and loved their Queen and country, hearth and home.

The Chairman proposed "The Manchester Unity and Ipswich District," speaking of the honour lately done to this district by the election of our Prov. C.S. Wm. Orford White as Deputy Grand Master of their great Order, and trusted he would be blessed with health and strength to carry out the duties that would devolve upon him next year, when he became Grand Master of the Unity. The toast was heartily received and responded to by P.P.G.M. J. Ball for the Unity, and Prov. G.M. C. Hudson for the district, the latter of whom stated that his colleague, Prov. D.G.M. Geo. Fisher, was unable to attend.

The "Past Grands Lodge" was submitted by Bro. J. B. Franklin (secretary), who expressed a hope that, as the present officers of his own Lodge went out of office, they would enrol themselves in the Past Grands Lodge, which was established for the chief purpose of considering all questions vital to the welfare of the Order.

Bro. P.P.G.M. John Pye (secretary) responded, and apologised for the unavoidable absence of his two chief officers, the President and Vice-President. P.P.G.M. Geo. W. Senton and P.G. Bales also responded. The "Visitors" was suitably given by G.M. Jas. Aldous and acknowledged by P.G. C. Bullard and others.

The harmony of the evening was well sustained by Bros. T. Wardley, B. Peck, John Pye, A. Reynolds, C. Goodwin, W. Green, and J. B. Franklin. During the evening one new member was initiated (Bro. A. Garrod), and a very pleasant evening was closed by a proposition from P.P.G.M. John Pye, seconded by P.P.G.M. Geo. Senton, that a hearty vote of thanks be given to St. John's Lodge for the efforts made to entertain those visiting their Lodge on this occasion. Bro. H. Anderson ably presided at the piano.

The Bury St. Edmund's United Mechanics' Friendly Society at its last meeting had under consideration an election, which is always a straw-splitting subject with friendly societies, viz., the election of a medical officer. The names of Drs. J. S. Hinnell, C. S. Kilner, G. F. Henry, and J. Hodges were submitted to the meeting; but the first-named gentleman secured the coveted honour by a majority of votes.

Saturday last formed the date of the annual outing of the past officers of the two great Friendly orders in the Ipswich district, viz., the members of the "Past Grands" Lodge of Oddfellows and the "Past Chief Rangers" Court of Forestry. The Oddfellows preferred sea air, and journeyed to Felixtowe, the home of the "Pretyman" Lodge. Among those who participated in the pic-nic were:—President W. Phillips, Vice-president S. Pollard, Secretary J. Pye, D.G.M. W. O. White, Prov. G.M. C. Hudson, Prov. D.G.M. G. Fisher, P.P.G.M.'s J. Snelling, J. Ball, J. Day, G. W. Senton, S. Mapperley, F. B. Jennings, P.G.'s S. A. Turner (Stowmarket), F. A. Bales, &c.

Several members of the home lodge joined the party, including V.G. R. M'Intosh, Permanent Secretary F. H. Meadows, and P.G. W. Warner. Unfortunately for the visitors the elements were so unpropitious that the outdoor recreation which had been anticipated was impossible. Oddfellows, however, can generally succeed in passing a pleasant hour or so together, and this they did until tea was over, when, under the genial presidency of Bros. Phillips and Pollard, toast and song demanded attention and an enjoyable time was spent until the return journey was commenced.

The toast list included "The Manchester Unity and the Ipswich and Bury Districts," proposed by Bro. Jennings, and responded to by Bros. White, Hudson, Fisher, and Turner; "The Past Grands Lodge," proposed by Bro. Warner, and responded to by the Secretary; "The Pretyman Lodge," proposed by Bro. Snelling, and responded to by Bro. Meadows; and the "Chairman and Vice-chairman," proposed by Bro. Ball.

The "Pretyman" Lodge was somewhat unfortunate (thanks to the clerk of the weather) in the athletic sports which they held on Bank Holiday with the view of liquidating the debt on their lodge. Bro. Mapperley only needed to mention this circumstance on Saturday and to add that a heavy deficit had resulted, ere the hat was sent round and the visitors helped their brethren to the tune of 22s. 6d. Bros. Dredge, Bullard, Senton, W. Warner and C. Warn ably contributed to the entertainment by songs, &c.

Hadleigh was the destination of the Past Chief Rangers of the A.O.F., the members being conveyed in breaks from the Red Lion Hotel. A start was made from the Cornhill under tolerably favourable atmospheric influences, and on arrival at Hadleigh the party was met by several brethren from the Hadleigh Court. By the courtesy of the Very Rev. E. Spooner, rector, the visitors were permitted to inspect the Rectory and grounds, and afterwards the church. Subsequently an adjournment was made to the White Lion, where tea was provided—the home of Court "Princess Royal" (2948) of the Ipswich district. Here Bro. W. Barr and Bro. W. Branch, treasurer and secretary respectively, joined the company, the chair being occupied by the President, Bro. A. Mills (2187), and the vice-chair by the D.S.C.R. Bro. W. Canham.

The toast of the "P.C.R. Court" was acknowledged by the secretary (Bro. J. Cook); Bros. Barr and Branch responded to "Success to Court 2948"; while Messrs. Harbord, Dewhurst, Saunders, Catchpole, Clarke, and Brown delighted the party with songs and recitations. After displaying their loyalty by singing the National Anthem, the visitors returned home, having spent a most enjoyable half-day.

Court "Woodbridge Unity," A.O.F., held its monthly meeting on Monday, when the auditors (Bros. Wm. Brinkley and Thomas Adams) presented their report for the half-year ending June 30th, 1894, which showed that the sick expenditure had again been heavy—the total amount paid for sickness during the six months being £445 16s. 6d., and £96 had been paid for funeral claims. The secretary (Bro. W. G. Palmer) was congratulated by the auditors on the manner in which the books and accounts of the Court were kept. The Court now numbers 623 members, with a capital of about £5,000.

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FEDERATION FUNDS CONTROVERSY.

ALLEGED MISREPRESENTATION AT IPSWICH.

THE SENSATIONAL DICLOSURES.

MR. EDWARDS THREATENED WITH LIBEL.

EXPLANATION OF £64 DEMANDED.

AMUSING CORRESPONDENCE.

A LIVELY STRING OF EPITHETS.

SIR,—Allow me to thank you for your fair and gentlemanly dealing with us in inserting my two letters, and I must again trouble you with a reply to Mr. A. L. Edwards. Sir, if misrepresentation and misleading figures and abuse and bounce concerning other people's characters and balance-sheets could answer my questions and criticisms of his balance-sheet, it should be an easy job for Mr. Edwards. Sir, I pointed out in my first letter serious defects in Mr. Edwards's balance-sheet. I have documentary evidence and statements made by Mr. Edwards himself, and I am prepared to prove the truth of my statements up to the hilt. I challenged Mr. Edwards to explain to the public the serious discrepancies in his balance-sheet as compared to his own public statements, his gross receipts for the year being about half the amount it ought to be, according to his own statements. To this grave charge Mr. Edwards has not up to the present time replied or given an answer, and therefore the public and myself must presume he cannot. Instead of meeting the charges and criticisms of his balance-sheet like a man he rushes into print with some pretended sensational disclosures of ours. Sir, one balance-sheet at one time. Will Mr. Edwards settle his own business first before he interferes with other people's? When Mr. Edwards dares to answer my charges, and gives a satisfactory account of something like £64 missing from his, then we will cheerfully explain where our monies come from, and give an account where it is gone to, which Mr. Edwards has not done up to the present. One dog, one bone.

MR. EDWARDS REMINDS ME OF THE SCHOOLBOY

who, when charged with stealing his neighbour's apples, cried, and said, "Tom Jones stole some too." No, Mr. Edwards, you may be clever, but we are not going to allow you to burke your responsibility by kicking up a dust concerning other people, or budge an inch from the position we have placed you in. Let us first discuss your miserable inflated 321 balance-sheet. Settle your own affairs, sweep your own doorstep clean first, and then try and help your neighbours to clean their's, and I promise you we will discuss later on our character, your character, our position and your position, and finally our balance-sheet with the greatest of pleasure; but we do not intend to allow Mr. Edwards to slink out of his miserable and pitiful position. Sir, it seems rather strange that none of Mr. Edwards's members or even his committeemen are able to obtain or see one of

HIS PRECIOUS BALANCE-SHEETS.

Funny is it not? One would have thought after Mr. Edwards had been finding fault with other trade unions' balance-sheets, he would have only been too pleased to flood the town and villages with as many of his own balance-sheets as he has with other people's, if only to let the public know how to prepare an open and understandable one. Just one other matter. I trust in future Mr. Edwards will fight openly and aboveboard, and not fight with poisoned arrows. At Mr. Edwards's meeting over Stoke, he favoured his intelligent audience with a great deal of abuse and unfair statements, one of which is reported. Further criticising certain trade union officials, the speaker, Mr. Edwards, observed that they were robbing everybody they could, and

BUYING TERRACES OF HOUSES

in other people's name. As I have been told Mr. Edwards referred to me, I must ask Mr. Edwards if he will kindly inform myself and the public who these trade union officials are—will he tell the public the names of those men, whether he means Blake, Arch, Tillett, Cook, Cattermole, or Sutcliffe? Sir, I must inform Mr. Edwards that he is sailing near the wind, and if he does not explain this very serious matter people will take steps to protect their characters from these vile, foul, unjust accusations. I do trust, Sir, that we shall discuss these matters in such a way as to commend ourselves to the large number of intelligent readers of the *Ipswich Journal*.

EDWARD BLAKE.

UNDER THE HAMMER.

VALUE OF SHOP PROPERTY IN LOWESTOFT.

ARABLE LAND AT COLCHESTER.

IMPORTANT SALE AT IPSWICH.

FREEHOLD LAND AND PROPERTY.

GAS SHARES IN THE MARKET.

There was a numerous company present at the Great White Horse Hotel, Ipswich, on Thursday evening, when Mr. Hugh Turner (Messrs. Garrod, Turner, and Son) brought under the hammer a number of varied and valuable freehold investments in and near the town of Ipswich. The first lot offered consisted of 90 acres of freehold accommodation land, bearing a landtax of 1s. 2d. in the £ on the Poor-rate assessment, and a rectorial tithe rent-charge of £15 6s., in the parish of Sproughton, just outside the Ipswich Borough boundary. Seven years ago the property was sold for the sum of £6,500, or at the rate of £70 per acre, and it was now offered by direction of the trustees of the late Col. Phillipps. Bidding started at £2,000, followed by an advance of £200. By increments of £100 the sum of £700 was quickly reached; but the auctioneer was only able to induce two other £50 bids in spite of his offer to make the sale open at the price of £3,000. This was not forthcoming and an admittedly eligible investment, at present producing £137 17s., was withdrawn from competition at £2,800.—A well-appointed freehold country residence situate on the

ELTON PARK ESTATE,

Sproughton, with grounds covering about 1½ acres, was next brought under notice. The first offer was one of £800, and by spirited bids of £50 and £25 each this sum was increased to £1,100. Seventy-five pounds more was the highest figure named, and as this did not reach the reserve this lot was also withdrawn at £1,175, the auctioneer observing that those present evidently did not appreciate property in Sproughton, where they had no borough rates to pay.

HOUSES IN THE TOWN.

Four freehold dwelling-houses in Wellington Street, Ipswich, containing an area of about 16 rods, and producing an annual rental of £49 8s., were offered by direction of the mortgagees. Starting at £400, the bidding was fairly spirited, and ultimately Mr. Gross became the purchaser for the sum of £560.—A pair of semi-detached residences, Nos. 1 and 3, Clarkson Street, Ipswich, abutting upon London Road, containing an area of about 18 rods, and letting at £30 per annum each, attracted considerable attention. An offer of £600 started the competition, and this figure rapidly rose to £840. By additions of £5 the sum of £855 was realised, at which price Mr. J. R. Bayley became the buyer.—The competition for two very similar residences, Nos. 1 and 2, the Crescent, London Road, containing about 21 rods of area, and letting for £63 per year, was likewise keen. The bidding rose from £600 to £890, Mr. Geo. Fenn having the lot knocked down to him at the last-named figure.—Two other residences, adjoining the last lot, and producing an annual revenue of a similar amount, also fell to Mr. Fenn at the price of £860.—Some fairly brisk bidding was witnessed for two dwelling-houses, 85 and 87, Berners Street, letting at £20 per year each, Mr. J. F. Mitchell securing this property for the sum of £590.—Five small freehold houses in South Street and Orford Street, producing an annual rental of £48 2s., were knocked down to Mr. H. A. Wright for £425.—A freehold market garden containing half an acre, now letting at £10 per annum, at the junction of Westbourne and Norwich Roads, was started at £79, and after reaching £107, was knocked down to Mr. Fenn.—The last lot offered consisted of £160 worth of the ordinary

B STOCK IN THE GAS COMPANY,

which were disposed of in £10 lots. The last lot of B stock sold at £20 10s. per £10. The Company last year paid a dividend of nine per cent., and Mr. Turner informed his hearers that the Company were in a better position this year than ever before. The first lot of stock fell to Mr. T. Barton for £19 10s., while three other lots fell to Mr. Sage at the price of £19 7s. 6d., £19 7s. 6d., and £19 12s. 6d. respectively per £10 worth.—On Friday, at Lowestoft, Mr. A. G. Notley offered for sale a shop and residence, No. 12, Pier Terrace, Lowestoft, at present producing a rental of £45 per annum, sold by direction of the executors of the late Mrs. Evans. The property was knocked down to Mr. W. B. Farrett at £500. A small piece of land, having a frontage of 53ft. 6in. to Queen's Road, Lowestoft, adjoining the Elephant and Castle beerhouse, together with the brick wall on the west side, was sold to Mr. Newson for £9. The property was sold by direction of the Ipswich Freehold Land Society.—Messrs. Flick and Son, on Wednesday, offered 6 acres 3 roods 4 perches of accommodation arable land, with extensive frontage to the road from Colchester to West Bergholt, and situated within the bounds of the borough. The property is freehold, with a land-tax of 11s. 3d., and apportioned tithe rent reduced to 27s. 6d. The property was knocked down to Mr. W. H. Mackenzie, of Achnacone, at £220.

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LICENSING MEETINGS.

NO COMPLAINT AGAINST STOWMARKET.

A LICENSE REFUSED AT HARTISMERE.

A NEEDHAM MARKET APPLICATION REFUSED.

The general annual licensing meeting for the Stowmarket Division was held on Monday. The police reported that the houses had all been well conducted, and in every case the Bench renewed the license. The number in the Division amounted to 62, and with a population of 10,470 meant a license for 168 inhabitants.—The

HARTISMERE LICENSING JUSTICES

also sat on Monday, at Eye, under the presidency of the Rev. T. L. French (chairman). Supt. Barnard, in his annual report, asked for the renewal of 45 inns, 16 beershops "on," and four beershops "off," and two additional for wine and spirits; total 67 to a population of 12,627, or a license for 188 persons. The conduct of the houses has been generally good, one person only having been proceeded against, that being Thomas Beecroft, holder of an off-license at Thorndon, who was fined £4 and 13s. costs for allowing beer to be consumed on the premises. The Chairman said the Bench considered it a very satisfactory report, and

COMPLIMENTED THE LICENSE HOLDERS.

In the case of a license holder named Henry Edward Clarke, who was convicted of larceny, the Chairman thought the Magistrates would be stultifying themselves by granting a license to a man whom the law says should not be a holder, and the license was refused. Several other cases were adjourned.—The Rev. Canon Norman presided over the Mistley Division Brewster Sessions. Supt. Ackers reported that four license holders had been convicted, but two only against the tenor of their licenses; two prosecutions were now pending. There was a slight increase of drunkenness. Mr. Ackers stated that the houses in the division had been conducted fairly on the whole, and the question of the

ACCOMMODATION AT MANNINGTREE STATION

was again brought before the Court. The Bench were of opinion that the licenses should not be granted, as nothing had been done to provide what was considered necessary, and the case was adjourned to the Thorpe Bench next Monday, to give the G.E.R. Company an opportunity to be represented. David Cooper, landlord of the White Horse Inn, Mistley, was charged with opening his house during prohibited hours. Mr. Asher Prior defended. Inspector Terry, on August 9th, was on duty at Mistley at 12 o'clock at night. Hearing voices, he and Police-constable Baker entered the White Horse at the back way, and in the passage they found several men drinking beer from mugs, &c. In the bar parlour were some more men and women, also drinking beer. In reply to witness, the defendant said,

"SOME ARE LODGERS,

and some are working on the premises, and are having refreshment." Defendant was fined £2, and costs 14s. The license was endorsed, and the application for the renewal was adjourned to the Thorpe Bench next Monday.—The annual licensing meeting for the Clare Division of Suffolk was was also held on Monday, Major-General Cecil Ives (chairman), presiding. Superintendent Bardwell reported that in the division there were 54 full-licensed houses, 26 beerhouses, 7 grocers' licenses, and three beer off-licenses. During the year there had been no charge against a publican. Mr. Charles Cooper Vincent applied on behalf of Mr. Harry Pannell, of Haverhill, brewer, that an undertaking, given when an off-license was granted in 1892, not to sell beer in less quantity than one gallon, might be rescinded. As no notice had been given of the application, the case was adjourned. Mr. Henry J. Salmon, of Bury St. Edmund's, applied on behalf of Messrs. Christmas and Co., the owners, and Thos. Gowers, the tenant, for a

FULL LICENSE FOR THE ROSE BEERHOUSE,

Burton End, Haverhil. The police raised no objection, and the license was granted.—The annual Licensing Sessions for the Needham Market Division were held on Wednesday, when Deputy-Chief Constable Fisher reported that so far as was known to the police the licensed houses in the division, with one or two exceptions, had been well conducted. All the licenses were renewed, a transfer of that of the Angel Inn, Earl Stonham, being granted to Mrs. Charlotte Chapman, from her late husband. Mr. A. Barker was cautioned by the Chairman as to his future conduct of the Crown Inn, Coddenham. James Bagley, grocer, of Needham Market, applied for an off beer license, and the application was opposed by Mr. W. Marshall, of Ipswich, on behalf of the Suffolk Licensed Victuallers' Protection Association. The Bench declined to grant the application.

BOXFORD LICENSING MEETING.

A TENANT WANTED FOR THE CHEQUERS INN.

At Boxford annual Licensing Sessions on Friday, all the licenses for this division were renewed, there being no complaint, with the exception of the Chequers Inn, Boxford, occupied by John Dennis Griggs, who is in bankruptcy. The Sessions were adjourned for a month, with a view of obtaining a fresh tenant.—Application was made on behalf of James Bird, of Milden, the tenant of an off-beerhouse, for an on-license, but the application was refused.

"FADDISTS AND MISERABLE OBJECTS."

AMUSING OPPOSITION TO HARWICH LICENSES.

THE TABLES TURNED.

The annual licensing meeting for Harwich and Dovercourt was held at Harwich on Tuesday, when Superintendent Ackers reported he had no complaint to make against any of the 44 licensed houses in the borough, they having been fairly conducted.—The clerk (Mr. A. J. H. Ward) reported that he had received notice of opposition to the licenses of the Prince of Wales beerhouse, West Street, and the Elephant and Castle beerhouse, West Street.—Mr. Lawson (representing the Essex Association for the Reduction of Licenses) withdrew his opposition to the license of the Prince of Wales beerhouse, as it was licensed before the year 1869.—Mr. H. W. Jones, of Colchester, had received no notice of withdrawal, and he asked for costs.—In this the Bench concurred, and allowed Mr. Jones £3 3s.—Mr. Lawson opposed the renewal of the license of the Elephant and Castle Inn, Mr. H. W. Jones appearing for the renewal.—Mr. Lawson said the ground for opposing the renewal was that

THE HOUSE WAS NOT WANTED.

John Bridgwater Durrant, said the house stood in close proximity to 16 public-houses. Cross-examined, the witness said he was a total abstainer; he did not wear the piece of blue ribbon in his coat to denote his politics—(laughter)—but to show he was a teetotaller. He should certainly like to see the public-houses swept off the face of the earth. (Laughter.)—Mr. Jones said the house was a most important one in the borough. There had

NEVER BEEN ANY COMPLAINT

by the police during the tenancy of the present landlord (who had occupied the house 17 years). The license had been renewed for upwards of 40 years, and the Bench were certainly not going to refuse the renewal on the evidence of "rank teetotallers, faddists, and miserable objects" who wished to have no public-houses. The Bench renewed the license, the opposers being ordered to pay the costs, amounting to £2 2s.

EXCITING FOX HUNT AT FINCHINGFIELD.

FOXES IN AUGUST.

"Jack Spraggon" writes:—The "oldest inhabitant" always tell us yarns about killing "a May fox"; I have never seen it done in our plough country—have you? But I did see a brace of August foxes killed yesterday (Tuesday) morning, which to me was a new experience. The foxes on the land of Mr. C. A. Beddall, at Finchingfield, had eaten up most of his game and poultry, but, like a real English sportsman, the only revenge he took was to invite all comers to breakfast, and provide them with a merry hunt afterwards. Well, we found a leash of foxes in no time, in some six acres of wheat, close to Mr. Beddall's house. What a splendid old fellow one of them was! He hopped out of the wheat, glanced at us all for a moment with

A LOOK OF WITHERING CONTEMPT

as though to say, "Rot, ye tailors! do you think I'm going to be hunted in August? You'd better go home and play tennis?" With that he hopped back into the wheat, cunningly roused up a cub—and quite an "up-to-date cub" he fancied himself; he dashed across the road, and into a potato field, as though to lead us a ten-mile point, but he had no chance with Farmer's "little ladies." They raced him up and down the 'taters a few times, and quickly reduced him to "a hundred tatters of brown." The potato-field run was certainly of short duration, but no one can deny that it was a "Magnum Bonum" affair! The next draw was Justice Wood, which held yet another leash of foxes. One ran a couple of rings round covert and was slain;

WHILE HOUNDS WERE EATING HIM UP

another fox was holloaed away at the Finchingfield end of the wood. Away we all go, across Mr. Maxted's meadow, past Justice's Hall, at a good pace for something like a mile, till we find ourselves back at our host's of the morning. Aye, but wasn't it a treat to see hounds run like that! Most of us kept to the road (we didn't funk—oh, dear, no! but horses are soft and fences are blind, you know), and we saw all the fun from the road—hounds running well, and farmers sailing along with them as though it were February. By-the-way, "when *Green* meets *Green*, then comes a tug of war;" but the safety-bars did their work well, and you'll live to fight another day, Sir. Well, this fox being lost, we all went off to Justice's, and had yet another excellent breakfast. I should like to say that man and beast did full justice to Mr. and Mrs. Maxted's kind hospitality; but perhaps some unkind people might think I was trying to perpetrate a pun.

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AGRICULTURAL SCANDAL IN SUFFOLK.

SWINE REGULATIONS AGAIN.

DISEASE INCREASING IN WEST SUFFOLK.

ACTION BY THE EAST SUFFOLK EXECUTIVE.

The restrictions respecting the removal of swine and the means of stamping out disease amongst that class of animal was again before the Executive Committee of the East Suffolk County Council on Tuesday, as was also the question whether the Suffolk Executive Committee should follow the example of the Norfolk Committee. Lord Henniker (chairman of the East Suffolk County Council and of the Committee) presided, and Colonel Barnardiston (chairman of the West Suffolk County Council) was also present.—A Sub-committee reported that it was inexpedient at present to adopt any further regulations under Articles 10, 12, and 15 of the Swine Fever Order.—Mr. Burch moved the adoption of the report in a speech traversing the subject of the closing of markets for store swine, and he recalled the fact that when they were closed six months ago the county was free from swine fever. Under the restrictions, there had since July been 13 cases of

FEVER IN VARIOUS PARTS OF SUFFOLK.

The Committee gradually freed the county from fever, and then the Board of Agriculture stepped in. His opinion was that it would be better for the management of this matter to be left to their Chairman. He believed there was scarcely any disease among fat swine in the county, and, with regard to store swine, that it existed only among those which were badly kept. The Executive Committee could get rid of swine fever ten times quicker than the Board of Agriculture could. (Hear, hear.)—The report was adopted.—The licenses granted to various auctioneers for the sale of fat swine were renewed for a month. A communication was read from the Cornwall County Council, "That in the opinion of this body the course now being adopted by the Board of Agriculture was not conducive to the stamping out of swine fever, and that the Local Authority should have the management of the matter." -In reply to Mr. Chaston, the Clerk said the cases of swine fever were at the following places:—Ilketshall St. Margaret (two outbreaks), Hadleigh, Halesworth, Naughton, Wenhaston, Leiston, Holbrook, Ufford, Wissett, Withersfield, Stoke-by-Clare, Livermere, and Battisford.—Mr. Chaston said he was glad to have the opportunity of stating in the presence of the Inspector of the Board of Agriculture that the

FEELING IN EAST SUFFOLK

against the new Order was stronger than ever. Suffolk seemed to him on a somewhat different footing to Norfolk. Norfolk was an infected area; Suffolk was not. If they made an application on the same lines as Norfolk, he supposed they would be allowed to do what they liked in their own county, but would not be allowed to send anything out of Suffolk.—Mr. H. F. Harwood proposed "That application be made to the Board of Agriculture for permission to manage our own business in the prevention of swine fever." (Laughter and "Hear, hear.")—Mr. Burch seconded the motion.—Mr. J. A. Smith thought the first question to be considered was whether the county could bear the expense of stamping out the disease. Isolation was no doubt desirable, but it must be strict.

ILLICIT SALE OF PIGS IN THE BACK YARDS

of inns and the outskirts of the town was more dangerous than a sale in an open market.—Mr. Hempson concurred in the latter opinion, and Mr. W. Biddell supported the resolution.—Colonel Barnardiston said that in West Suffolk the disease appeared to be increasing, instead of being stamped out, by the action of the Board of Agriculture. The question of slaughter, however, must, he thought, be carefully considered. It would be remembered that when compensation was abolished by the county, the number of cases of fever at once declined. Our colonists laughed at us for going in for so much slaughter when the spread of the disease might be prevented by isolation.—Major Tennant stated the position of the Board of Agriculture in the matter. Mr. Gardner had pointed out that it was the local authorities who first suggested that the

CENTRAL AUTHORITY SHOULD GUIDE THEIR ACTION

in the matter, and Major Tennant added that the action was taken at the unanimously expressed wish of Parliament last year. Coming to the question of how best to deal with the disease, the speaker said the course adopted by Suffolk and other local authorities had been for a veterinary surgeon to inspect the supposed case immediately it was reported. The disadvantage of the scheme was that the professional man had come to a quick conclusion on what was often insufficient evidence. To avoid this the Board suggested that instead of the veterinary surgeon going to the spot at once, a police officer of a superior rank should go, and having ascertained there was reasonable ground to suppose that swine fever existed, should put the place under restrictions until a proper inquiry could be made by a professional officer. With regard to the

VEXED QUESTION OF THE GENERAL RESTRICTIONS,

Major Tennant said he was inclined to think that the system of making limited areas, had had a long enough trial. He did not think that anything was gained by drawing a circle of three or four miles. The real difficulty with which they had to contend in regard to swine fever was the existence of the disease in the places not known. He was sure, therefore, that the Board would carefully consider an application by any local authority to be allowed to have its own rules.—Mr. Geo. Fiske had no doubt that the disease had been spread in past times by public sales.—Mr. J. A. Smith hoped the resolution would not be adopted if it entailed that pigs could not be taken out of the county.—Mr. Harwood, on the contrary, hoped that the resolution would be carried by the Committee unanimously.—At the suggestion of the Chairman, Mr. Harwood's resolution was revised so as to read that application be made to the Board to allow the Committee to act as they did before the passing of the three last Orders.—Five voted for the proposition and one (Mr. Smith) against.

ATTACK WITH A HATCHET.

ATTEMPTED MURDER OF A GRANDCHILD.

James Bourne, aged 65, a publican living near Wellington, Salop, has been committed for trial at the Assizes on a charge of attempting to murder his granddaughter, Elizabeth Jones, a girl of 18, by cutting her on the head with a hatchet. He had been very strange in his manner for some time.

EAST SUFFOLK FINANCES.

A DEFICIT.

WHAT IS THE CAUSE?

ALLEGED WASTE OF PUBLIC MONEY.

The Finance Committee of East Suffolk reported to the County Council on Tuesday that for the quarter ended June 30th there was a sum of £156 4s. 9d. due to the bankers.—Alderman Pretyman, in moving the adoption of the report, regretted deeply that the Committee should come before the Council with a deficit. It was the first time in the whole annals of the county, and he the more regretted it because there was no question that their expenses were increasing. The Council had been in existence six years, and had had a three-farthing rate and five or six thousand pounds from the old Authority, and all that money was gone. All the expenses had slightly increased, and he was afraid that they had arrived at a fourpenny rate. The roads were the chief cause of their expenditure. The Council received a great deal back in the local taxation, but the roads took the whole of the county rate and £4,000 beside. There were, in his opinion, only two courses before them. They were—first, another increase of the rate, and he would remark that the more they increased it, the more difficult it would be to get in; and secondly, whether they had not been

ALLOWING TOO MUCH FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

In regard to the Foods and Drugs Act, Alderman Pretyman said it was his intention to draw attention, at the next meeting of the Joint Committee, to the bill of £46 2s. 7d. for an enormous number of things analysed. Very few of the samples were of butter, but most of them were of pepper, all analysed at 10s. 6d. each, and the point which annoyed him was that all the samples were perfectly pure.—Mr. J. A. Smith, referring to the contributions for roads, said it should be explained that the contributions were very largely for parish roads.—After discussion the report was adopted.

INCREASED DRUNKENNESS AT COLCHESTER.

TOO MANY LICENSED HOUSES.

SINGULAR OPPOSITION.

The annual licensing Justices for the Lexden and Winstree Division of Essex met on Saturday at Colchester. Supt. Ackers reported that during the past year the licensed premises had been satisfactorily conducted, there having been but one conviction in the division for selling contrary to license; 20 convictions for drunkenness had been recorded, against 13 during the preceding period.—The Clerk (Mr. H. W. Jones) said there were two houses to which it was desired to call attention—the Greyhound, at Langham, the landlord of which was cautioned for serving people while under the influence of drink, and a house kept by Mrs. Rebecca Patton, at Wakes Colne, who had sold contrary to license, and had her licensed endorsed.—Mr. Ackers said that he had no complaint as to either house since, but the house on Wakes Colne Green was really

NOT REQUIRED;

the licensed houses in that locality were far too thick. It was decided to renew all the licenses.—Charles Death applied that the license of a beerhouse at Copford might be transferred to him from Mrs. Smith.—Supt. Ackers opposed, remarking that this was a most unnecessary license.—John Oliver Barnard, of the Albion beerhouse, Rowhedge, applied for a full license. Mr. Prior said that the house would now have been enjoying a full license but for the fact that the License Confirmation Committee were equally divided on the matter, and consequently, although the Bench had last year granted the license, Mr. Barnard had

NOT BEEN ABLE TO GET IT.

—Mr. E. Thompson Smith opposed on behalf of the Colchester and East Essex Licensed Victuallers' Association.—The Chairman said that last year the Bench unanimously granted the license, and he thought that as the matter remained unchanged they would do so now.—The Chairman added that there was one dissentient on the Bench.

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WHAT IS THE CAUSE OF INDIFFERENCE?

We publish the following letter *verbatim*:—

SIR,—Will you alone me another small space in your valiable paper as I see I am quititised by one who dons the night gown who say he have ben in a good many churches never sees no flowers on the alter he only want to come to our church and he will see them and I say they dont ought to be there I said they are seldom visited when they are sick he say he is accusation to make does he casern the place he lives I say I can name several places where they never see a pearson once a year I should like it much better if he had signed his name Sir I see Jhilton would like to know where the flowers are placed on the comnonion to worship I say that what they are there for god dont worship flowers give me the pure gosple We dont want Ritualism We does not want the of the heard working men of England thes men want food for there souls and rest fore there conisence if the church can only offer them Ritualism they will turn away from her in disgus. If she will faithfully give them the pure gosple they will never leave her and never forsake her Sir if you will put this in I shall be very thankful and that will be the last.

August 28, 1894,
near Woodbridge.

HASKETON.

SIR,—Some of your correspondents must confess that they have rather drifted from the above subject, and that they have seized on an opportunity to further their own cause, which is that of Rome. But have not these gentlemen gone ahead a little too fast? Without following them into all their details, one cannot but observe that they seem to have paid scant attention to certain important facts of history. Indeed they have turned things so obviously upsidedown that many of your readers must have felt that such statements might be very well left to disprove themselves. Sir, if the Church was formed, and not rather as is the fact, reformed, in Queen Elizabeth's reign, what are Roman Catholics to think of their co-religionists of that period? For the first ten years of her reign, they attended the parish churches, and used this Book of Common Prayer, and were under our bishops and clergy. Nor had Romanists so much as a single bishop in England until the year 1623. If "unity" be too much a broken thing among us, as alas! in all ages of the Church, what disunion has been a greater scandal than of three Popes together claiming to be the Vicar of Christ? Or than that of the religious orders of the Franciscans and Dominicans? And are we to ignore the fact that Rome is only some one-half of Christendom, and to forget the great Eastern Church with its many millions, or that these millions are "Protestants" as well as we? One of your correspondents casts in our teeth that our churches are not free; but it is a fact that many of our churches are entirely free. Curiously enough (in the same *Journal*) one reads of the laying of a foundation stone of a church (at Felixstowe) which it was stated would be free. And as to our village churches, probably the labourers themselves are more than content with things as they are. At any rate they have not to pay for their seats, which, as is well known, Roman Catholics have sometimes to do. As to the churches and tithes, it is but a plain fact that they originated in the free gifts of the members of the same English Church, which, before the Reformation, if not so clean as afterwards, has been not inaptly likened to a man, who is the same person both before and after he has washed his face.—I remain,

"AN ANGLO-CATHOLIC."

SIR,—With all due deference to "J.C.W.," I beg to dissent from his misleading statement that the marriage statistics indicate that Catholicism does not increase *pro rata* with the population. Unfortunately, a considerable number of Catholics, whose attachment to their faith is not so vigorous as it might be, are married at registry offices, or in Protestant churches or chapels, because those with whom they contract matrimony are of an alien creed, and object to be married by a Catholic priest. All these alliances are included in the Protestant or civil marriage returns, whereas half of them ought to be credited to Catholicism. Even were it true, however, that we Catholics are not increasing at the same rate as the general population, the fact would not disprove my contention that the number of Rome's recruits is being constantly augmented. Whatever may be the extent of our losses, they occur, for the most part, among those who are poor and illiterate, and most certainly are not due to the superior attraction of "Anglican candles," but are the result, generally speaking, of a none-too-respectable system of proselytism. If our financial resources equalled those of our foes, this leakage would be not nearly so serious as unfortunately it is. But while we lose, we also gain, and our gains are greater than our losses. A considerable proportion of our converts are from Anglicanism, and this, I respectfully submit, is a sufficient proof, taken in connection with the fact that few quit Rome for Canterbury, that "Roman candles" (to adopt the phraseology of "Anglo-Catholic") are more attractive than Anglican. Will "J. C. W." kindly state where he has read that, not long since, crucifixes were on sale at Milan, with the figure of Garibaldi substituted for that of the Saviour? And will he, furthermore, be good enough to explain in what way the fact (supposing the assertion to be true) militates against the teaching and practice of the Catholic Church? As to the memories of the Marian persecution being too deep to permit the labourer to have any inclination Romewards, that is all nonsense. He knows no more about the religious history of the 16th century than does his brother of the city. Yet the latter has a decided inclination Romewards. Why? Because the prominence and influence and resources of the Catholic Church, owing to force of circumstances, are greater in the town than in the country.—Obediently yours,

AUG. J. HILTON.

SIR,—I fear I have not followed very carefully the correspondence in your columns of late respecting the so-called alienation of the working class—in which I do not believe on the whole—from the church, consequently do not know the subject matter of the letter that has called forth so fierce an attack upon the Anglican communion by your correspondent Mr. Dalton. By the way, I would venture to enquire how Mr. Dalton's onslaught stands connected with the question under discussion; it makes one inclined to cry "Order?" Nevertheless since, under cover of the Church attendance question, hard things are being uttered by outsiders against our National Church, I would ask your leave to try and answer in some sort one or two of these railing accusations. It is easy to understand the extreme bitterness of the majority of Roman Catholics against our Anglican Church. She has been and is now such a flourishing Church in spite of all they say; she has managed to get on so well, in spite of certain internal trials and difficulties since the time she cast off the papal influence, which was never fully accepted or so readily acknowledged in England as in other parts of Europe. The great tolerance shown in the present day towards the Italian mission, rightly so-called in this country, is doubtless galling since it demonstrates the strength of the National Church, especially under the present Catholic revival. I did not read the letter of "Anglo-Catholic," but if in his letter he stated that the Roman communion has not the true faith in essentials, I must so far differ from him as to agree with Mr. Dalton. Although fully believing, as our xix. Article states, that "The Church of Rome hath erred" even "in the matter of faith," yet I unhesitatingly acknowledge the Roman Church to hold all things necessary to salvation, to which she has added some things unnecessary. The Eastern Church, I take it, though varying from the Western Church in certain points, stands in much the same position. The Anglican Church, though differing greatly from the Roman Church in certain points of doctrine and practice, and from the Eastern chiefly in ritual, still undoubtedly holds, in common with the Eastern or Roman or Latin Western Church, all things necessary to the faith and salvation. The fact is, "amidst the changes and chances of this mortal life," from primitive times to the present day, various changes have taken place in doctrine and practice throughout the Church universal—some for good, some for ill. But through all time certain fundamental doctrines remain unchanged. These doctrines constitute the groundwork of Catholic unity. If these doctrines are accepted, which of course include certain simple practices, the church holding, maintaining, teaching such doctrines must be part of the Catholic or Universal Church. I venture to state what I believe these doctrines to be. 1. A belief in our blessed Lord, perfect God and perfect man. 2. Belief in the Holy Trinity as set forth in the Catholic creeds. 3. Belief in a three-fold ministry, bishops, priests and deacons, lawfully consecrated and ordained by imposition of hands with prayer to the Holy Ghost; also the gift of the keys, to bind and loose, transmitted in unbroken chain from the time of the apostles. 4. Full belief in the two greater sacraments of Baptism and the Holy Eucharist, as being generally necessary to salvation. 5. A belief in the doctrine and practice of the apostles as contained in the New Testament scriptures. 6. Acceptance and use of the three creeds of Christendom—Apostles, Nicene and Hilary's Confession, called "The Creed of Athenasius." The Church that fully accepts and teaches these doctrines and practices, is, I maintain, a part of the Catholic Church. The Church of England fully accepts and teaches them: therefore the Church of England is a part of the branch of the Catholic Church. It is true that there are different schools of thought in the English Church; but however much they differ in certain points, they all unite in using, following and obeying the Book of Common Prayer. This book, which is a compilation from the ancient English service books, with certain omissions and additions, contains the true doctrine and practice of the Anglican Church. No honest person who takes the trouble to study this book from beginning to end can deny that this book contains and sets forth all and each of the necessary doctrines above set forth. This book and its doctrines and practice (together, of course, with other rules and laws) is the representative of the Anglican Church's teaching. It is impossible, as it is unjust, to judge of a Church by the teaching of individual members of it. I should like, had I space, to prove, in answer to your correspondents' unjust sneers, that the Church of England was a faithful and flourishing Church long before St. Augustine came over as a missionary, A.D. 596. But I will merely touch upon the question of the validity of our orders at the commencement of Queen Elizabeth's reign. The English Reformation was entirely different to the Continental Reformations. It was simply a national movement; a return to primitive doctrine and practice. Convocation, the bishops and clergy, fully accepted the new order of things with hardly any exceptions. It was the reign of Mary that caused all the difficulties, such as they were, at the commencement of Elizabeth's reign. But the bishops expelled under Queen Mary's authority were unlawfully expelled from their Sees by either intimidation or packed commissions from the Crown. As the Pope's jurisdiction in England had been for many years validly and regularly suppressed by the united voice of the Church of England, all acts performed by the Pope during this brief period were null and void. The bishops, therefore, appointed by him had no lawful jurisdiction. Cardinal Pole, Archbishop of Canterbury, died a few hours after Mary's death, The reigning Sovereign in succession to Elizabeth, according to ancient custom, appointed Matthew Parker to the vacant Archbishop's chair. Parker was consecrated in Lambeth Palace Chapel, December 17th, 1559. His chief consecrator was Barlow, assisted by three other bishops, viz., Scovy, Hodgkins, and Coverdale. These were all bishops unlawfully deprived in Mary's reign, and duly nominated to their proper Sees. Supposing the utterly false story were true, trumped up many years afterwards by Roman Catholics, that Barlow was not a consecrated bishop; still, as he was assisted by three other bishops, two of whom had been consecrated with the ancient "Sarum Ordinal," one with the "Edwardian Ordinal," and as they all imposed their hands with the special intention of consecrating Parker, therefore his consecration would have been valid. Indeed, consecration by one bishop is held to be valid. But Barlow was a duly consecrated bishop, who had exercised his episcopal functions before Mary's accession, and had taken his seat as a bishop in the House of Lords. If, again, it is argued that the form of words used for ordination in the present Ordinal are not sufficient, then the consecrations of the first thousand years of Christianity are invalid; moreover, the words of our Ordinal, which is the same as that used at Parker's consecration, are far more direct and emphatic than the words used at present in the Roman Ordinal.

J. J. WARRINGTON ROGERS.
Bramfield Vicarage, Suffolk.

[We agree with the Rev. J. J. Warrington Rogers that the discussion is getting quite out of order, and not at all relevant to the question at issue, and unless our correspondents deal with the subject in the manner indicated, we will have to considerably edit their communications.—EDITOR.]

PROPERTY SALES IN SUFFOLK.

HARLESTON.

On Wednesday evening Mr. J. C. Miles (Messrs. Maddison, Miles, and Maddison) offered for sale by auction, at the Swan Hotel, Harleston, a freehold occupation, consisting of a brick-and-tiled dwelling-house, outbuildings, double cottage, and 8a. 3r. 15p. of land at Thorpe Abbotts, in the occupation of Mr. D. J. Alexander. The property was bought by Mr. C. Candler, on behalf of Mr. Robert Burrows, for £250.

STOWMARKET.

On Thursday, Mr. S. A. Turner offered, at the Fox Hotel, Stowmarket, by auction, a freehold residence, with orchard and garden, in Great Finborough, in the occupation of Mr. Chas. Chaplin at the annual rent of £15. The lot was knocked down to Mr. Jas. Pollard, of Onehouse, for £189. Mr. S. Gooding was the vendors' solicitor.

SUDBURY.

On Thursday afternoon Messrs. Geo. Coote and Son offered for sale, at the Rose and Crown Hotel, the freehold private dwelling-houses and business property, by direction of the Exors. of the late Mr. Ewin Green, builder and contractor:—Residence, known as Crofton, Mr. E. J. Evans, Surrey, £900; three residences in Station Road, Mr. Hy. Meeking, Chilton, £570; No. 45, Sepulchre Street, Mr. A. Grimwood, Sudbury, £265; No. 44, Sepulchre Street, Mr. James Andrews, Ballingdon, £170; Nos. 21, 22, and 23, Sepulchre Street, Mr. Tolladay, Sudbury, £380; No. 20, Sepulchre Street, £550. The following properties were also offered by Messrs. Coote and Son:—Church Farm, Great Waldingfield, and 29a. 3r. 3p. of land, withdrawn at £450; Church Field, and premises, containing 7a. 3r. 31p., Mr. S. Carlton, £120; two cottages, and several enclosures of land, facing the Rectory and grounds, containing 26a. 0r. 12p., Mr. S. Carlton, £300; a field near the Fox Inn, containing 1a. 3r. 20p., withdrawn at £25; two enclosures of arable land and two cottages, containing 19a. 1r. 39p., Mr. S. Carlton, £245; two cottages and gardens, and 37p. of land, Mr. Walter Bane, Ballingdon, £37 10s.

IS OBESITY THE RESULT OF RICH DIET?

Fat begins to accumulate as soon as the system has attained its full development, and will go on increasing, if not checked, until the decline of life; then it ought again to decrease. Independently of the importance of fat as a non-conducting substance in impeding the too rapid escape of animal heat, it may be regarded as a store of material to compensate for waste of tissue under sickness or other circumstances entailing temporary abstinence from food. Most writers consider that obesity is promoted by a rich dietary, corporeal inactivity, tranquility of mind, &c.; and, although admitting these to be conducive to the formation of fat, I am of opinion, writes Mr. F. C. Russell, the eminent specialist on "Corpulency and the Cure" (256 pages), which is the title of a book now going through the press with the eighteenth edition, that obesity arising from such causes solely is comparatively rare. There is a diseased state of the system which independently of all these influences will increase the production and deposition of fat. We are of this gentleman's opinion. Mr. Russell, however, does not leave his readers who suffer from obesity "in the lurch," for he prescribes a remedy, and a most effectual one too, consisting solely of herbs, which do not contain a particle of any deleterious ingredient, and yet he can reduce a person's weight from 2lbs. to even 10lbs. a week without having to swallow nauseous physic or resort to drastic measures. This successful combination of vegetable extracts was not obtained without considerable research and painstaking investigation. It is rather pleasant to take, three small doses will in many instances reduce from 1lb. to 3lbs. in the short space of twenty-four hours. However, the cost of the book is only four stamps, and can be obtained direct from Mr. Russell, Woburn House, Store Street, London, W.C. There are matters highly interesting to stout persons to be gleaned from his book, also hundreds of letters (reprinted) from persons describing the particulars and various fluctuating weights after taking so much of the compound. These are not the ordinary stereotyped sort of quack testimonial, but really from intelligent persons who can certify to the extraordinary results of the medicine, in many cases to invite public attention to the marked effects demonstrated.

The following are extracts from other journals

GOOD NEWS FOR STOUT PERSONS.

It does not follow that a person need to be the size of Sir John Falstaff to show that he is unhealthily fat. According to a person's height so should his weight correspond, and this standard has been prepared by Mr. F. C. Russell, of Woburn House, Store Street, Bedford Square, London, W.C., so that anyone can see at a glance whether or not he is too stout. People in the past have been wont to regard fatness as constitutional, and something to be laughed at rather than to be prescribed for seriously; but this is evidently an error, as persons whose mode of life has caused a certain excess of flesh require treating for the cause of that excess, not by merely stopping further increase, but by removing the cause itself. It is marvellous how this "Pasteur" and "Koch" of English discoverers can actually reduce as much as 14lb. in seven days with a simple herbal remedy. His book (256 pages) only costs 6d., and he is quite willing to afford all information to those sending as above. It is really well worth reading.—*Forget-me-Not.*

HOW TO BECOME THIN AND WELL.

Mr. F. Cecil Russell, of Woburn House, 27, Store Street, Bedford Square, London, W.C., has issued a very useful book (256 pages) on this subject. It deals with the origin of fat, shows the dangers of an excess of fat, and discusses the numerous remedies hitherto adopted for reducing fat. The book, which is well worth reading, contains a large number of testimonials from persons who have benefited by Mr. Russell's process. It is now in the press for the seventeenth edition. Its cost is only 6d. stamps. It is most extraordinary how he has quite exploded the theories of the medical profession. He claims that as a person becomes more healthy under his treatment he requires more food, yet his weight is being reduced sometimes at the rate of 10lb. a week on botanical preparations only. Our great Continental therapeutical "big-wigs" will have to look to their laurels in earnest.—*Salisbury Times.*

A POSITIVE REMEDY FOR CORPULENCE.

Any remedy that can be suggested as a cure or alleviation for stoutness will be heartily welcomed. We have recently received a well-written book, the author of which seems to know what he is talking about. It is entitled "Corpulency, and the Cure" (256 pages), and is a cheap issue (only 6d.), published by Mr. F. C. Russell, of Woburn House, Store Street, Bedford Square, London, W.C. Our space will not do justice to this book; send for it yourself. It appears that Mr. Russell has submitted all kinds of proofs to the English press. The editor of the *Tablet*, the Catholic organ, writes:—"Mr. Russell does not give us the slightest loophole for a doubt as to the value of his cure; for in the most straightforward and matter-of-fact manner he submitted some hundreds of original and unsolicited testimonial letters for our perusal, and offered us plenty more, if required. To assist him to make this remedy known, we think we cannot do better than publish quotations from some of the letters submitted. The first one, a marchioness, writes from Madrid:—'My Son, Count ——, has reduced his weight in twenty-two days 16 kilos, *i.e.* 34lb.' Another writes: 'So far (six weeks from commencement of following your system) I have lost fully two stone in weight.' The next (a lady) writes: 'I am just half the size.' A fourth 'I find it is successful in my case. I have lost 8lb. in weight since I commenced (two weeks).' Another writes: 'A reduction of 18lb. in a month is a great success.' A lady from Bournemouth writes: 'I feel much better, have less difficulty in breathing, and can walk about.' Again a lady says:—'It reduced me considerably not only in the body but all over.'" The author is very positive. He says: "Step on a weighing machine on Monday morning and again on Tuesday, and I can guarantee that you have lost 2lb. in weight without the slightest harm, and vast improvement in health through ridding the system of unhealthy accumulations."—*Cork Herald.*

MORTALITY IN IPSWICH.

An Abstract of the Return of Deaths for the week ending Saturday, August 25th, 1894.

Borough Fever Hospital—scarlet fever and nephritis, 4 years, male.
Ernest Street—whooping cough and bronchitis, 18 months, female.
Ann Street—diarrhœa, 6 months, male.
Fairlight Street—laryngitis, 14 months, male.
Newton Road—premature birth, 1 month, female.
Great Whip Street—premature birth, 3 weeks, male.
Purplett Street—premature birth, 11 days, male.
Brunswick Road—debility from birth, 2 months, male.
Victoria Street—epilepsy, 16 years, female.
Crabbe Street—tuberculosis, 9 years, male.
Upper Orwell Street—phthisis, 37 years, male.
East Suffolk Hospital—intestinal obstruction, 49 years, male.
Paget Road—apoplexy, 50 years, male.
Victoria Street—paralysis, 55 years, male.
Cardigan Street—phlebitis and thrombosis, 59 years, female.
Vernon Street—cancer, 53 years, male.
Bloomfield's Buildings—cancer, 96 years, female.
Bath Street—old age, 89 years, male.

Males, 13; females, 5; total, 18.
Annual death-rate in Ipswich for the week 15·9 per 1,000.

GEORGE S. ELLISTON,
Medical Officer of Health.

RUPTURE.—J. A. Sherman, Hernia Specialist, is again in London. If you wish to be cured, send for his book, post free 7d.—Address, J. A. Sherman, 64, Chancery Lane, London.

IPSWICH TRADES UNION SCANDAL.

EASTERN COUNTIES' LABOUR FEDERATION

AND THEIR BALANCE-SHEET.

SCATHING CRITICISM BY MR. A. L. EDWARDS.

MORE SENSATIONAL CHARGES.

HUNDREDS OF POUNDS NOT ACCOUNTED FOR.

ATTACK ON THE AUDITOR.

ALLEGED FLAGRANT BREACH OF RULES.

ENORMOUS DECREASE OF MEMBERSHIP.

MR. BLAKE A PROPERTY OWNER.

So Mr. E. Blake, treasurer and trustee of the Eastern Counties' Labour Federation, has had another tilt at me, in which he tries to deal with matters of which he knows nothing about. I should certainly advise him in the future to keep to the shallow, muddy waters of his own Federation, and not launch into the clear, deep waters of the Independent Federations that are being run to-day by the working men themselves, who are keeping their hands in their own pockets with the object of keeping out the hands of the loafing agitators and wastrels—men who are going up and down the country to-day amongst the working classes with the cry upon their tongues, "Your money or your life," and urging them at their altar which they have erected to Baal to

SACRIFICE THEIR FREEDOM,

liberty, and manhood, and become serfs at the beck and call of a class of men who prey upon the working man. Well, now, coming to Mr. E. Blake's tirade of abuse and insult, and his impudent and insolent questions, and his base, groundless and senseless charges against the Ipswich Mutual Working Men's Independent Federation, let me say, 1st—That in thousands of cases my mission has been a complete success in delivering the working man from the thraldom of tyrannical Trades Unions. 2nd. Mr. Blake asks whether it is not a fact that since my Federation has been started 300

DOCKERS' WAGES

have been reduced from 4d. to 3d. per hour. In reply, I beg to state that such is not the fact, and consequently no protest has been needed from me in this respect. 3rd. Before Mr. Blake talks about members leaving Unions or Federations it would be well for him to look at home, whereas instead of, as in 1892, his members numbered (so they said) 17,000, in 1893 only about 5,000 could have been paying members, making a falling away of over 12,000 members in about 18 months. 4th. As to Mr. Blake's question as to when our Federation stepped in between unjust employers and the *employés*, I beg to say that as far as we have gone we have had no necessity to do so. No injustice by employers of our members has ever yet been the subject of complaint, and as far as we know the

EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYED HAVE GOT ON VERY WELL TOGETHER,

the rights of each having been acknowledged and respected by both parties. 5th. With regard to his charge that since I have been busy with my Federation, wages have gone down in all directions, I should again advise Mr. Blake to look at home. In the report of his Federation for 1892 it was said the average wages of the labourer was 12s. per week, which, notwithstanding all the agitation carried on by Blake and Co. and the thousands of pounds extracted from the hard-earned wages of the labourers, I challenge Mr. Blake to say whether wages have not fallen 2s. per week on the average, thus shewing the uselessness of his Federation to keep up wages or to benefit its members, except the few overfed, sleek and well-paid officials, who have had a very good place, and are, of course, anxious to keep it. I think that they must begin to see that the labourers are not donkeys. 5th. With regard to his attack upon our balance-sheet, there is one thing about it, that all the subscriptions paid by our members were duly accounted for in the same, and the members had the full benefit of all the money they had paid. Now, Mr. Blake, I challenge you to say whether there was not hundreds of pounds collected from the labourers last year and spent on certain officialism which

NEVER FOUND ITS WAY INTO YOUR BALANCE-SHEET

at all, and has never been accounted for to the members who had to find the cash, in the balance-sheet which you filed with the Registrar-General. Let me ask you why this concealment and keeping back of the full and real official expenditure of Mr. Blakes's Federation? I now further ask Mr. Blake if it is not true that in addition to the official expenditure as shown in the balance-sheet, there was not a further expenditure of 10d. per member per year for officialism, which, upon Mr. Blake's return of 11,342 members, amounts to no less a sum than £472 11s. 8d., not one single shilling of which has ever found its way into the balance-sheet of 1893 at all, and, so far as this balance-sheet is concerned, is totally unaccounted for? Will Mr. Blake dare further to deny the fact that a further sum of £1 per year per branch had been paid for rent of club-rooms, and which amount also has been omitted from the balance-sheets?

WILL MR. BLAKE FURTHER EXPLAIN

why this state of things exists in the face of rules 16 and 30 of his Federation, which, I say, have been most flagrantly violated? 6th. If the above allegations are true, and, from evidence I have in my possession dealing with past balance-sheets I say they are, will Mr. George Hines, the auditor, explain how it is that he signed the balance-sheet, declaring it to be correct,

IN VIOLATION OF RULE 33,

which reads as follows:—"The duties of the auditors shall be to *audit quarterly the accounts* of the income and expenditure; also all books kept at the general office, and see whether they have been properly kept, and whether the *contributions from the branches* have been *entered* in the *ledger* and correctly added, and transferred, with any other income, to the *cash book*. They shall also, in examining the expenditure, require the production of all cheques *for every item of expenditure*. . . . They shall also examine the reports as drawn up by the Secretary, and if satisfied with their correctness, sign the same." I ask the auditor that in signing the balance-sheet as issued, and which balance-sheet does not give a detailed account of the total income and expenditure of the Federation, as required by rule, how he satisfied himself as to the correctness of that balance-sheet, and whether in signing the same he did not violate Rule 33 as to his duties as an auditor? I will further ask Mr. Blake whether, in the face of his balance-sheet, there were not something like

11,000 MEMBERS WHO LEFT

his Federation last year instead of 5,158, which is the number given in his return. My advice to the agricultural labourer is to give the go-bye to a Federation of this description, and refuse to be humbugged in the future by such men as Blake, Sutton, Brown and Co. When Mr. Blake writes about dockers starving, I should advise him to turn his memory back to the starving victims of his Federation at Mendlesham, and hide his head for very shame. As to Mr. Blake's statement that the public will begin to suspect there was something in his letter, allow me to say they do already suspect there is something in it, and that that something is nothing but bunkum, humbug and tommy rot. As to his reference to my whining, I think those who know me and Mr. Blake from past experience know that I am not much of a whiner—a fighter if you like, and one who has and still does mean war to the knife. I notice in the Press that the Eastern Counties Labour Federation is to be represented at the Trades Congress to be held at Norwich next month. I wonder if the labourer knows what this means out of the funds. Well, it means this, that every society sending a representative has to pay 10s. delegate's fee, and 20s. for every thousand members, so the expense upon Mr. Blake's return would be £12 10s. for fees, besides, I presume, travelling and other expenses of the delegate;

A NICE USELESS EXPENSE

to be thrown upon the labourers for some delegate to air himself and his notions, I must say. I further note that Mr. E. Blake has now blossomed into a property owner, and has made an ownership claim in respect of a house of which he has become the reputed owner. Good business this; he must be doing well. He must have had a grand time of it! Who would not be a Labourers' Federation man, hey, where most of the members' contributions find their way into the pockets of the officials?

A. L. EDWARDS.

IT MAY NOT BE KNOWN TO YOU, BUT IT IS A FACT THAT "Rough on Rats" clears out Rats, Mice, Cockroaches, Flies, Beetles, Months, Ants, Bed-bugs, Sparrows, Skunks, Weasels, Moles, Musk Rats, Rabbits. 7½d. and 1s. boxes at Chemists.
"Well's Health Renewer" for nervous exhaustion. 4s. 6d.
"Rough on Corns" for hard or soft corns. 8d. at Chemists.

DROWNING IN THE OUZE.

SAD BOATING ACCIDENT NEAR LYNN.

On Thursday Fredk. Winkley, organist, of Eastbourne, was boating on the Ouze with his wife, father, and brother, when the boat fouled the St. German's Bridge, five miles from Lynn, and capsized. All the occupants were thrown into the water, and Fredk. Winkley was drowned.

EXCITING SCENE AT FELIXSTOWE.

A LADY BATHER'S PERILOUS POSITION.

Some excitement was caused on Felixstowe beach on Thursday morning, when a young woman who was bathing on an ebbing tide got out of her depth, and was about to sink for the second time. Instantly a visitor, Mr. A. Kennedy, of Brondesbury, London, ran to the water's edge, divesting himself of his coat and waistcoat on the way, and swam to the girl's rescue. Dr. Wright, of Norwood, also followed into the water, and assisted in bringing the girl to shore, where after some little time she recovered.

SAXMUNDHAM DRAWING CLASSES.

SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS.

The South Kensington successes obtained in connection with the County Council Drawing Class at Saxmundham are as follows:—Freehand—1st Class: Cecil Kerridge, Ernest Bedwell, Alice Hall, Marian Phillips, Annie Milroy, George Ludbrook; 2nd Class: Minnie Fillmore, Isabel Fillmore, Alice Blyth, Eliz. Grunsell, Robert Frost. Model drawing—1st Class: Cecil Kerridge, Ethel Shepheard, Alice Hall; 2nd Class: Alice Blyth, Eliz. Grunsell, Annie Milroy, Violet Frost, Minnie Fillmore, Isabel Fillmore, Robt. Frost. Shading—1st Class: Alice Hall. Geometry—Pass: Cecil Kerridge. Perspective—1st Class: Alice Hall, Cecil Kerridge, Ernest Bedwell.

TERRIBLE DEATH AT BECCLES.

AN OLD MAN CUT TO PIECES.

On Thursday morning a man named James Chilvers, about 60 years of age, was knocked down by an engine, which was on its way to the goods siding at Beccles Station. Chilvers, who is employed by the Company as a blacksmith, was crossing the metals when the accident happened. One of his legs was cut off below the knee, and a portion of the heel of the other foot was also injured. He was at once removed into Beccles Hospital. Chilvers only survived three hours, death resulting from shock to the system. His leg was broken off at the thigh, as well as severed below the knee, and the other heel severely crushed.

THE NEW POSTAGE SCHEME.

A DESIRABLE INNOVATION.

We have authority to state that the public have the privilege of sending through the Inland post, as postcards, private cards bearing halfpenny adhesive stamps. The regulations provide that the cards must be composed of ordinary cardboard, not thicker than the material used for the official postcard. The maximum size, having regard to the variety of form, must correspond as nearly as may be to the size of the ordinary Inland postcard new in use. The minimum size must not be less than 3½ inches by 2¼, and the cards must not be folded. With regard to the address side, the rules differ very little from the rules which relate to the present cards. But the modifications introduced in the new Warrant give rather more latitude than is permitted by the Warrant which it supersedes. On the address side, which must bear the postage stamp, the sender may add the words "Immediate," "Forward," "Local," and also may attach by gum or paste a small label as at present. Nothing else may be attached on the address side, except a postage stamp, and on the reverse side nothing but a receipt stamp. The arrangements, of course, apply also to reply postcards.

EAST SUFFOLK HOSPITAL.

WHAT IPSWICH FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ARE DOING.

HOSPITAL SUNDAY ARRANGEMENTS.

The Committee of the movement for establishing an annual "Ipswich Friendly Societies' Hospital Sunday" held its second sitting on Friday, when several other Societies sent deputies by invitation to co-operate in what promises to be a successful effort by the Friendly Societies to augment the funds of this valuable and necessary Institution. Amongst the Societies taking part in this movement besides the Oddfellows and Foresters are the "Pioneers," "Sons of Temperance," "Shepherds," "Eastern Star," "Rational," "Hearts of Oak," &c. The Rev. Ythil A. Barrington has kindly granted the use of the Tower Church for a special afternoon service, and it was decided to hold the demonstration on Sunday, the 23rd instant. Unless any unforseen circumstance arises

THE MEMBERS WILL PROBABLY MEET

either at the Portman Road Recreation Ground, or (if wet) at the Drill Hall. It is intended that everything in connection with this worthy object shall be entirely voluntary, including bands of music. Responsible collectors will be appointed, who will be supplied with subscription boxes, along the route of procession, such boxes to be handed in at the Town Hall after the procession has left the church.

THREE HORRIBLE FINDS.

PARCELS CONTAINING DEAD INFANTS.

ONE COMPLETELY MUMMIFIED.

SHOCKING DISCLOSURES.

Last Monday week a parcel was found in a cart in Dorset Mews. Mr. Charles Povey, a chimney sweep, thought it contained the body of a cat, and threw it into the gutter. Next morning a dog was seen sniffing at it, and the contents were then found to be the remains of a child. At Dr. Thomas's inquest on Tuesday, Mitchell, 122 D, said the remains were wrapped up in an old piece of black and red striped skirt. They were dried up and completely mummified; in fact, the sex could not be discovered. The Coroner said it was possible that the body

MIGHT HAVE BEEN CONCEALED FOR YEARS

before being disposed of. An open verdict was returned. At the same Court was also held an inquiry into the death of a newly-born female child which was found in the water in Regent's Park last Friday. The remains were badly decomposed, and had evidently been in the water a very long time. The same verdict was returned. A third case was the subject of an inquest by Dr. Westcott at Hackney. Thomas Verdon, a boatman, found a parcel in the Lea on Saturday. It contained the body of a newly-born male child wrapped in a linen cloth, a bag, and brown paper. A brick was fastened to it. "Found dead" was the verdict.

IPSWICH LICENSES DECREASING.

DRUNKENNESS ON THE WANE.

CHIEF CONSTABLE'S REPORT WITHHELD.

The annual Licensing Sessions for the Borough of Ipswich were held on Wednesday. The Mayor (Mr. S. R. Anness) announced that there was a reduction in the number of licenses during the year, and there was also a diminution in the number of convictions for drunkness. The Magistrates, after consideration of the the question of renewals, instructed the Chief Constable to oppose the renewal of the license of the Eagle Tavern, in Upper Orwell Street. The licenses of the Hermit (King Street), the Crown (St Peter's Street), and the Little Wonder (Bell Lane), were deferred until the adjourned Sessions in consequence of the new tenants having

FAILED TO GIVE THE REQUISITE NOTICE

of application. Mr. Hodge applied for a license for the sale of intoxicants on his new premises. The Magistrades suggested to the applicant that it would be advisable for him to give public notice of his intention to apply for a license for his new premises, and the matter would come under the consideration of the Justices at the adjourned Sessions. Two new applications—one by Messrs. Wainwright and Sons for a retail license for their premises at 41, Westgate Street, and one by Mr. P. B. Garrard, of 14, Westgate Street, for a beer-dealer's license—were also adjourned.—The Chief Constable's report was not made public. The Sessions were adjourned until the 26th of September.

EXCITING SCENES AT IPSWICH.

TWO PEOPLE ATTACKED BY A BULLOCK.

A WOMAN SERIOUSLY INJURED.

Between 10 and 11 o'clock on Tuesday morning, as Mr. Thwaites, of Hadleigh Road, was walking up Mill Street, between St. Matthew's Church and the Presbyterian Church, he noticed a somewhat wild-looking bullock coming along at a fast rate down the hill on the right hand side-path. Mrs. Manthorpe, wife of an *employé* at Messrs. Masons' Oil Mills, residing on the Handford Road, was behind Mr. Thwaites, and they both quickly got off the path. Mr. Thwaites, noticing that the bullock was making for the woman, gallantly placed himself between the bullock and Mrs. Manthorpe, and received the full force of its charge,

BEING CAUGHT ON THE HORNS

and hurled backwards. The infuriated beast next attacked Mrs. Manthorpe, who was thrown violently to the ground with her head against the tramway lines, the fall rendering her unconscious. The unfortunate woman was immediately attended by Mr. J. L. Aymé-Aymard, who found her suffering from a severe cut on the head and concussion of the brain. She was removed to her home, and will probably be kept

IN BED AT LEAST THREE WEEKS.

Mr. Thwaites fortunately escaped with a sprained elbow and a shaking. The freak seems to have been of a temporary nature. The animal soon afterwards cooled down, and proceeded quietly to Messrs. Bond and Sons' sale yard on the Cattle Market, whither it had been consigned by Mr. Baker, farmer, of Stonham Aspal. It was one of a pair in charge of a drover named Faiers, who had allowed the two animals to accompany three others coming from the same locality.

CLACTON TALE OF THE SEA.

ATTEMPED SUICIDE IN AN OPEN BOAT.

PRISONER COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Before the Tendring Hundred Bench on Monday, Arthur Greig was charged on remand with attempting to commit suicide in an open boat, at Clacton.—Prisoner's brother now appeared, and said prisoner's friends were willing to keep him and try to find him employment.—The Medical Officer of Ipswich Gaol sent a written certificate to the effect that he could not find any trace of insanity in the prisoner's conduct while in prison.—The Chairman said that under these circumstances the Bench had no alternative but to send the prisoner for trial.

TRAMPS AND THE TICKET SYSTEM.

ONE RESULT OF THE IPSWICH CONFERENCE.

CASUALS ON THE DECREASE.

Thirty-four Boards of Guardians in Suffolk, Essex, and Norfolk have adopted the ticket system of dealing with tramps, as recommended at a recent Poor-law conference at Ipswich. The system has already resulted in a great decrease in the number of casuals seeking shelter at the workhouses.—At the monthly meeting of the Wickham Market Guardians, it was reported that the tramps continue to decrease in number, there being 50 less than in the corresponding period of last year.

PARTRIDGE SHOOTING IN EAST ANGLIA.

FAIR PROSPECTS.

Partridge shooting will commence in East Anglia (to-day) Saturday under fairly favourable conditions, notwithstanding that many of the young birds were killed by the heavy rains in June and July. Reports from Norfolk and Suffolk indicate that partridges are numerous, although not so plentiful as last year, and in Essex they have hatched well and they are strong on the wing. Coveys comprise from six to eight birds, in only a few instances groups of ten and twelve being seen, whereas last year and the previous season coveys of ten, twelve, and fourteen birds were not uncommon. Wild birds abound, and of ground game there is no lack. Pheasants have reared well on the principal preserves, on which there is promise of excellent sport being obtained in October.

REPRESENTATION OF COLCHESTER.

REASON OF CAPTAIN NAYLOR-LEYLAND'S RETIREMENT.

Captain Naylor-Leyland's retirement from the representation of Colchester is due to the fact that private responsibilities recently incurred have presented an effectual bar to his continued residence in the borough. These responsibilities will necessitate his prolonged absence from England in the late autumn this year, and possibly during the greater part of next year. Captain Naylor-Leyland fully pledged himself to be a resident member, and he has felt it essential, in the interests of the party, that, being no longer able to fulfil that pledge, he should not resume the position of candidate at a time of critical importance. His retirement from the candidature is subject to the willingness of the party to adopt him in case of sudden emergency, when he would be willing to stand until his successor is selected.

PIRATE BUS CONDUCTOR'S FIGHT.

AMUSING CASE IN LONDON.

A singular assault case was investigated at Westminster, on Tuesday, a conductor named Henry James Matthews, in the service of the London General Omnibus Company, being summoned for striking and kicking William Richard Piper, another conductor. At midday on Monday, 20th August, the London General Company's omnibus and the vehicle of which complainant was conductor pulled up on westward journeys outside the St. George's Hospital. Five or six

COUNTRY EXCURSIONISTS, HESITATING

which bus they should take, were approached by the rival conductors, who abused each other, and finally got to blows. Matthews told the prospective passengers that they would get their pockets picked in Piper's bus, and Piper retaliated by shouting out that the other one was a pirate.—Mr. Snell remarked that as regarded abuse the honours were easy, but on the evidence that the London General conductor knocked the other one down—the suggestion for the defence was that he lost his balance and fell—he imposed a fine on Matthews of 40s. and costs, or 14 days' hard labour. The fine was paid.

A FINE POINT IN LICENSING LAW.

AN IXWORTH LICENSEE NOMINALLY FINED.

Abraham Banham, beerhouse-keeper, of Ixworth Thorpe, appeared before the Ixworth Justices on Monday, charged with allowing beer to be consumed on outdoor licensed premises.—Police-constable Folger, on Monday, 30th July, heard singing, and found it was at the back of defendant's house. When opposite the cellar door, defendant came out with a can of beer. At the back of a shed there were 31 men. One man was standing on a block of wood singing; another poured out a glass of beer and asked witness to drink. Cross-examined, the witness said the beer was being poured out and handed to three men, who stood near, and they were on the premises of Con. Shaw, or that part which is at the back of his house.—Defendant was examined, and said the men were on Shaw's ground; none were on his. He gave the beer when the constables were there, knowing that he was not doing wrong.—The Bench were satisfied that the case was proved, and imposed a fine of 6d. and costs 11s. 6d.

HARVEST PROSPECTS IN SUFFOLK.

A GLOOMY FORECAST.

A Woodbridge correspondent writes respecting the harvest:—"The situation is anything but encouraging. A few samples of wheat of the new crop have been selling on our local markets, neither condition nor price very satisfactory. A fair quantity of barley has been secured, and a little threshed and sold, but it is too early to give quotations or the probable yield. To this crop, where heavy, damage is done from being laid by exceptional downpour at times. We fear the bright forecast in which we indulged a few weeks since is

DOOMED TO DISAPPOINTMENT.

Roots are making fair promise; sunshine would now be beneficial to them." "From the Hasketon district the prospects are most gloomy and very little corn has been carted. Wheat a fair crop. Barley on good land, well-farmed, very poor, on poor land very good; colour and quality much injured by wet. Beans and oats good. Peas very bad. Potatoes much diseased. Root crops require sun and dry weather. Weeds more flourishing. Rain every day. Beef and mutton selling well. Pork a bad trade. Store stock fetching good prices. Suffolk rams in demand. Feed plentiful."

BURY COLT AND FOAL SHOW.

OBJECT OF THE EXHIBITION.

The entries for this exhibition, which is advertised to take place on September 19th, close on Wednesday, September 5th. The exhibition is being promoted by a committee of gentlemen, whose object is to establish an annual market at Bury at that season of the year when it is customary to wean off foals. The promoters of the venture consider the holding of such an exhibition and sale would, to the majority of farmers, be accepted as a good and ready means of either disposing of their surplus stock or of purchasing young horses for their farms. Although the exhibition is to be classed a foal show, it has been deemed advisable, says the *Bury Post*, by those answerable for the arrangements, to offer prizes for yearlings and two-year-old colts and fillies. By this means it is hoped to make the sale additionally attractive, and give an impetus to the breeding of horses in the district generally. The president, Mr. E. Walter Greene, M.S.H., is a liberal supporter of the prize list, the Master's object being to encourage the breeding of horses, and more especially hunters, amongst those agriculturists over whose lands he hunts, and this virtually embraces the whole of Suffolk. The object of the promoters is worthy of very substantial support, and we learn that amongst the subscribers to the prize fund are Earl Cadogan, K.G., Lord Iveagh, Sir Robt. Affleck, the Hon. F. W. D. Smith, M.P., the Hon. A. E. Parker, Mr. E. E. Barclay, Mr. Paley (Ampton), Mr. George Hervey, Mr. R. Edgar, Mr. W. Harvey, and many of the leading agriculturists of the district.

CRUEL CONDUCT OF A LAUNDRYMAID.

REMARKABLE SERIES OF ROBBERIES.

Ann Betts, 18, a laundrymaid, employed at the Licensed Victuallers' School, Upper Kennington Lane, was charged at the Lambeth Police Court, on Tuesday, with stealing gold brooches and rings, of the value of £23, the property of Martha Bester, the matron, and a gold brooch, the property of Edith Hooper, an assistant mistress. The matron stated that the prisoner had been employed at the school for about six months. When she missed the jewellery she informed the police, and the articles were recovered from pawnbrokers with whom the prisoner had pledged them.—Detective-sergeant Gardiner said he had ascertained from the prisoner's mother that she was a very bad girl. When between 13 and 14 years of age she was sent to an industrial school.—Inspector Nutkins remarked that there had been a series of robberies at the institution. In this case some of the property was put back in the room by a fellow-servant, and the brooches were pawned in the name of a fellow-servant. Several girls has had to leave their situations through being suspected.—Mr. Biron observed that the prisoner had apparently been guilty of a series of robberies.—Prisoner: No, sir, only this one.—Mr. Biron sentenced her to three months' hard labour, and characterised her attempt to throw the blame upon her fellow-servants as most wicked.

A FRAMLINGHAM CHILD NEARLY DROWNED.

A GALLANT RESCUE.

On Wednesday, a child named Strutt, about two years old, was playing with her sister and other companions in Mr. Henry Fairweather's garden, in Albert Place, Framlingham, when she wandered from her companions and got on the bridge spanning the river, close to where there is a deep hole, and by some means toppled over into the water. Mr. Channing P. Dowsing was passing at the time, and, hearing the splash, ran to the scene and quickly rescued the child from its perilous position.

REMARKABLE DEADLOCK AT BURY.

PUBLIC BUSINESS BLOCKED.

AN ANCIENT CONSTITUTION.

On Thursday there was an annual meeting of Borough Guardians in the Guildhall, where the proceedings were delayed for nearly an hour, owing to a sufficient number not being present to constitute "the Court" for transacting business.—The Vice-Chairman (Mr. R. Kidson) apologised for being three-quarters of an hour late.—Mr. F. H. W. Dight was re-elected governor; Mr. R. Kidson, deputy governor; and Mr. Beckford Bevan, treasurer.—The Chairman, in thanking the Board for having re-elected him Governor, remarked that it was 147 years since the first Governor of the Bury St. Edmund's Incorporation was chosen, the old Act bearing date 1747.

TWO GIRLS CONDUCT AN INN.

OPPOSITION AT HALESWORTH.

At the Halesworth Brewster Sessions on Thursday, Superintendent Andrews presented his annual report as to the amount of crime in the Blything Division during the past year. This showed a decrease of 26 on the previous year. Two years ago, the Superintendent objected to the renewal of the license to the Greyhound Inn, Westhall, on the ground that it was not required, and because, owing to the situation of the house, the police had a difficulty in exercising a proper supervision over it. He found that since Michaelmas last this house had been under the sole control of two girls, the elder of whom was 17 years of age and the younger 14 years.—The licenses were renewed with the exception of that of the Greyhound Inn, Westhall, which was adjourned for a fortnight.—Mr. Alfred Smith, owner and occupier of the Crown beerhouse, at Thorpe, applied for a full license.—This was opposed on behalf of Mr. Benjamin Harling, a landowner, and Mrs. Ogilvie, also an owner of land.—The application was refused.

IPSWICH FEDERATIONISTS AT DINNER.

A CONVIVIAL GATHERING AT STOKE.

The members of the Stoke Branch of the Ipswich Mutual Working Men's Independent Federation spent a most enjoyable evening, at the Engineers' Arms, Stoke, on Thursday, on the occasion of their annual dinner. The chair was taken by Mr. A. C. Cattermole, Mr. D. Cook occupying the vice, and being supported by Mr. A. L. Edwards, the president of the Federation, and Messrs. Chandler and Wade, the Stoke Branch auditors. Mr. Edwards, in short but appropriate terms, proposed the toast of the evening, as also did he submit "The Health of the Chairman, Vice-chairman, and the host (Mr. Walter Sutcliffe)," the latter being received with musical honours. "The President of the Federation" was proposed by Mr. D. Cook, which was suitably acknowledged. Other toasts followed, during which reference was made to the continued prosperity of the branch, it being announced that new members were being made weekly. Songs were contributed during the evening by various members of the branch.

A COLCHESTER CYCLIST'S ADVENTURES.

"BORROWS" A BICYCLE AND IS ARRESTED.

On Thursday, at Ipswich Police Court, Harry E. Nice, upholsterer, Colchester, was charged with the theft of a bicycle belonging to Frederick Ernest Hubert, of Cemetery Road. The defendant hired a safety bicycle from Hubert on Saturday, the 28th July, promising to return it in two days. On Monday the prosecutor received a letter from the defendant dated from Dedham, in which he stated his inability to proceed further owing to a sprained ankle. Several days elapsed, and Hubert, wondering what had become of his machine, journeyed to Dedham. Prisoner was not there, and on his return prosecutor received another letter from the defendant, posted at Bury, giving further excuses for failing to return the machine. Later Nice sold the machine to Mr. Robert Townsend, cycle agent, 18, Butter Market, Bury St. Edmund's, for £3 10s.—The Magistrates committed the defendant for trial at the Quarter Sessions, bail being allowed.

A DEFINITION OF GAMBLING.

LICENSE HOLDERS BEWARE.

Lowestoft Licensing Sessions were held on Thursday, when the annual report of Supt. Shipp was presented, showing an increased number of convictions for drunkenness. Generally the houses were fairly well conducted. There were several persons who allowed card-playing, bagatelle, and other games on their premises. These were not unlawful under certain conditions, but when played for money or beer they became unlawful games, and he (Supt. Shipp) hoped that licensed persons would take notice, and discontinue these games in their houses. Several applications, as well as renewals of existing licenses were deferred.—Mr. H. Chamberlin applied on behalf of Mr. Charles Joseph Punchard, of the Anchor Stores, Commercial Road, for a spirit license. The property was in the centre of the business part of Lowestoft, and a new dock had just been constructed in the immediate vicinity. Mr. Chamberlin produced a memorial containing 76 signatures, many of them of well-known townsmen, urging the necessity of acceding to the application, but the Magistrates declined to receive it, and refused the application.

ALARMING OCCURRENCE AT BUNGAY.

NARROW ESCAPE OF MR. RIDER HAGGARD.

RECKLESS CONDUCT OF A HAWKER.

Mr. Rider Haggard, the novelist, who has become an enthusiastic votary of the wheel, and who has to use his own expression found it "a delightful exercise" has just had cause to modify that opinion; for while riding down Bridge Street, Bungay, near his Norfolk home, in company with a number of friends on bicycles, the whole party nearly came to destruction through the obstinacy of the driver of a cart. The street is narrow, and in spite of the warning of the party the man dashed into them at a furious rate. Mr. Rider Haggard, in order to avoid the collision, turned his machine against the wall, and he was rather badly bruised in addition to receiving a severe shock. Another member of the party was jammed between the wheel of the cart and the pavement, while other of the cyclists were also injured. The cause of all this mischief was a travelling hawker of Norwich named John Underwood, who, at the Bungay Petty Sessions on Thursday, was fined 38s. 8d. inclusive of costs, the Chairman remarking upon the great danger to life of the defendant's reckless conduct.

PROPOSED PURCHASE OF CHRISTCHURCH PARK.

PROTEST BY ALD. JOSSELYN.

DO THE PUBLIC WANT IT?

SUGGESTED NOVEL TEST.

At the next meeting of the Town Council we shall presumably be asked to arrive at a final decision of the question, whether or no we will then irrevocably bind the ratepayers of Ipswich to expend at least £16,000 in purchasing, at the high rate of £320 per acre, about fifty acres of the interior of Christchurch Park, besides committing them to a necessarily large subsequent capital expenditure thereon, the probable amount of which has not yet been ascertained. Before we finally decide that important question, I think we may reasonably take into consideration, and also invite the public to express their opinions upon, some few points bearing upon it. For instance:—1. Is there

ANYTHING LIKE A GENERAL DESIRE

on the part of the ratepayers to have the purchase made at all? and what is the probability that the Park would, if purchased by the town, be very generally resorted to by the public as a place of recreation? 2. Is the property now worth in open market anything near the sum the town is now asked to give for it? 3. What reasons are there for and against the purchase? And is there any, and if any, what urgent necessity in the interests of the town to make the purchase just at the present time, when rates are heavy and increasing? It is possibly not generally known or fully appreciated that the Act of Parliament, under which alone the town has power to purchase the Park, absolutely precludes the town authorities from letting it for any purpose whatever on public holidays. From this it follows that, if the suggested purchase be carried out, our Friendly Societies and charitable institutions who have hitherto, by means of the Park, been able to realise from time to time considerable sums of money for provident and charitable objects by hiring it for fêtes on public holidays, will be for ever thereafter

ABSOLUTETY DEPRIVED OF THEIR OPPORTUNITIES

of applying it to that useful and popular purpose. On the other hand the probability of the interior of the Park being built upon for many years to come—if ever—is obviously at present a very remote contingency, and, so long as unbuilt upon, it will, in any other owner's hands than those of the town authorities, undoubtedly remain for years to come available for holding on public holidays those fêtes for which it is by nature so admirably adapted. The question whether or no the public would extensively use the Park (if acquired) as a place for ordinary recreation

MIGHT VERY WELL BE PRACTICALLY TESTED

by in the first instance hiring instead of purchasing outright; the hire might be for a limited term with option of purchase at the end of that term, and it would certainly seem to be prudent that the town should give a considerable rent for a time in order to try an experiment, rather than embark at once in a very large capital expenditure which, if the experiment should fail, would have been practically thrown away.—Yours faithfully,

JOHN H. JOSSELYN.

Ipswich, 31st August, 1894.

THE NEW RECTOR OF WHITTON.

Rev. H. Anson, curate of St. Pancras, London, has been appointed rector of Whitton, Ipswich.

ALLOTMENTS AT WICKHAM MARKET.

SUCCESSFUL CULTIVATORS.

At a meeting of the Commitee of Wickham Market Cottagers' Show on Thursday evening, the judges of allotments gave in their decision as follows:—Mr. Whitmore's prizes: 1st, C. Freeman; 2nd, D. Hammond; 3rd, W. Templing. Mr. J. C. Keer's prizes: 1st, Geo. Self; 2nd, H. Walker; 3rd, Jas. Leech.

2,000 PEOPLE MISSING

ON HARWICH AND CLACTON EXCURSION STEAMERS.

Much alarm was caused on Thursday night in London by the non-arrival of the steamers Koh-i-noor and Clacton Belle, which had on board two thousand passengers from Ipswich, Yarmouth, Harwich, Clacton, and Southend, and hundreds of persons remained about the piers until Friday morning, when they were informed that the steamer passed Woolwich all well at 10 a.m., having been detained all night in the lower reaches of the Thames by a dense fog.

AN ESSEX SENSATION.

SHOT BY A BROTHER.

A DISTRESSING STORY.

At Beckingham, Essex, yesterday (Friday), an inquest was held on the body of Ethel Sharp, aged 10, the daughter of a farmer. On Thursday one of her elder brothers returned from shooting, and left his loaded gun in the kitchen. Another brother, aged 11, picked up the weapon, and pointing it to his sister, shot her dead. The lad was much distressed, and stated he did not think the gun was loaded. A verdict of "Accidental death" was returned, the Jury condemning the dangerous practice of leaving loaded guns about.

DESTRUCTIVE FARM FIRES NEAR BURY.

TERRIBLE WORK OF AN INCENDIARY.

On Wednesday night a fire occurred on the farm of Mr. John Symonds, of Whepstead. One wheat stack and part of another, the produce of about nine acres, were destroyed, as well as a stack of peas, the produce of nearly three acres. Early on Thursday morning a stack of barley, the produce of upwards of nine acres, also belonging to Mr. J. Symonds, was destroyed by fire. There was no water at hand, and it was considered useless to requisition the services of the Bury St. Edmund's Volunteer Fire Brigade.

THE LATE MR. NOTLEY OF MENDHAM.

The mortal remains of Mr. Wm. Notley, late relieving officer of the Stradbroke district (to whom reference is made elsewhere), were laid to rest in the beautiful churchyard of Weybread, Suffolk, amidst every token of respect. The mourners were:—Mrs. W. Notley (widow), Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Notley, Mr. G. Notley, Mr. F. Notley, Mr. Archer Notley, Miss A. M. Notley, Miss E. Notley, Miss Ethel Notley, Miss Emily Notley (sons and daughters), Mr. G. Notley, Mrs. J. A. Cobbold (brother and sister), Mr. J. Cracknell, Mr. G. Cracknell, Mr. R. Cracknell, Mr. T. Cracknell, Mr. C. Cracknell, Mr. T. A. Cobbold, Mrs. E. Cracknell (brothers and sister-in-law), Mr. T. C. Read, Miss E. Cobbold, and Dr. Candler. A large number of friends met the *cortége* at the church gate to pay a last tribute of respect to their departed friend, Mr. Chaston, chairman, and Mr. Norton Garrard, clerk, to the Board of Guardians, being amongst the number. The Revs. H. S. Oriel (vicar) and Canon Raven, D.D. (vicar of Fressingfield and Withersdale), officiated. In addition to those sent by deceased's near relatives, floral tributes were sent by Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Cracknell, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Cobbold, Mrs. E. Cracknell, Mrs. Jackman, Mrs. Lord, the Misses Lord, Ted Lord, Dr. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Diggens, Mr. and Mrs. E. Johnson, Mrs. Haywood Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Whaley, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cobbold, Mr. and Mrs. Jeffries, Mr. and Mrs. Gedny, Miss Donison, Mr. and Mrs. Bryant, Rev. and Mrs. Oriel, and Mr. Jacobson and Family.

CHURCH NOTES.

THE LOCAL TENENS DIFFICULTY SOLVED.

We have received a communication from the Rev. Sidney Pelham, the Palace, Norwich, regarding the St. Andrew's Mission Society, which has just been promoted with the object of organising a staff of specially qualified mission clergy, who, as occasion requires, will be able to undertake or supplement the work of the parochial clergy. This is a widely-felt need, which is already being met in several dioceses by a similar agency. The mission clergy will be ready:—(a) To undertake the charge of parishes, during a vacancy or the illness of the incumbent. (b) To conduct missions, whether parochial or itinerary, and short "three-day mission visits." (c) To hold "quiet (*i.e.* devotional) days," and "retreats" extending over a longer period. (d) To provide courses of lectures during Church seasons, or at other times when desired. Ultimately, as the Society is enlarged, further branches of work would be taken in hand. But the immediate object of the Society is the awakening or deepening of spiritual life in the Diocese, and the supply of pressing needs. To this end the Bishop has appointed a Diocesan Missioner, with whom will be associated others, as soon as the funds admit of it. It would be very desirable to secure a house in Norwich, and if possible another in Ipswich, as the head-quarters of the Diocesan Missioners, where they could live together, both for mutual society and help and for common devotional life. The Voluntary Diocesan Missioners give their services in the same cause, but having parochial cures of their own, will only be able to absent themselves for for short periods at a time. Whenever benefices are vacant through death or resignation, or in the event of the Incumbent being ordered away for his health or being otherwise incapacitated, the greatest difficulty is often experienced in providing for the charge of the parish. St. Andrew's Society will supply a pressing need; but it points to a large staff of mission clergy if it is to be adequate to the requirements of this immense diocese with nearly 1,000 benefices. Communications relating to the work of the Society should in the first instance be addressed to Rev. Sidney Pelham, The Palace, Norwich.

LOCAL SHARE LIST.

Supplied by C. E. TEMPEST, 14, Arcade Street Ipswich.

Ipswich 3°/o Corporation Stock	...	...	103	104
Ipswich Dock Debentures 3½°/o Blacks	...	...	99	100
Ditto	3½°/o Reds	...	99½	100½
Ditto	3½°/o 1877 issue	...	99½	100½
Ipswich Gas A	Stock	...	250	255
Ditto B	Stock	...	190	195
Ditto C	Stock	...	180	185
British Gas	...	...	47½	48½
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